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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
RM

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(OO: Atlanta)

Re Chicago airtel and LHM to the Bureau, 5/18/70; and Chicago teletypes to the Bureau and Atlanta, 5/23/70.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eleven copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of this LHM have been furnished to Atlanta, which is the office of origin in this matter, and one copy of this LHM has been furnished to Jackson in view of the information that three Jackson State College students were present at the rally described in the enclosed LHM.

One copy of the enclosed LHM is being furnished locally to the United States Attorney's Office and the United States Secret Service, both of Chicago, and to the Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

The SAs observing the march and rally reported in the enclosed LHM are [redacted]

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1 - 100-11629 (C. T. VIVIAN)

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It is noted that Reverend JESSE JACKSON had been announced as the main speaker of this rally. However, JACKSON was not observed present at either the march or the rally.

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Chicago, Illinois

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 105-1238

MAY 26 1970

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE (SCLC)

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated May 18, 1970, captioned as above.

On May 23, 1970, representatives of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the demonstration described as the "March Against Repression" sponsored by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and Operation Breadbasket (OB) in Chicago, Illinois.

OB is the economic arm of SCLC.

Approximately 1,000 participants in the march, about 90 per cent of whom were black, gathered at the Grant Park bandshell in the vicinity of 11th Street and Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at about 1:00 p.m. on March 23, 1970. At 1:10 p.m., this group, four abreast, marched west on 11th Street to the Chicago Police Department's headquarters, 11th Street and State Street, led by the Reverend George Riddick, Research Director of OB in Chicago. At the front of the march was a hearse bearing a rock coffin.

At the entrance of police headquarters, a wreath of flowers was placed, and brief prayers were led by Reverend

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Riddick and Reverend C. T. Vivian of OB. Vivian is also a leader of the Coalition for United Community Action (CUCA), a local civil rights group which has been active in the past, seeking the employment of more blacks in the Building Trades Industry in the Chicago area.

The march then proceeded north on State Street to Polk Street, west on Polk Street to Dearborn Street, and north on Dearborn Street to the Federal Building, 219 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois. Again, a short prayer vigil was held, after which the march continued to the Civic Center Plaza, Dearborn Street and Washington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. A rally was held at this location, and twelve persons spoke, including Reverend C. T. Vivian and Reverend George Riddick. Other speakers represented various local civil rights and peace groups, and all speakers used generally the same theme throughout their speeches by criticizing alleged repression by the Chicago Police Department and the Cook County State's Attorney's Office against black people.

They also spoke against the recent killing of black students at Jackson State College, Jackson, Mississippi. Three persons were introduced as students from that school and were identified as Silvia and George Gibson, brother and sister, and Judy Glover. George Gibson spoke briefly, giving his version of what happened when the students were shot at Jackson State College.

The Chicago Police Department had assigned extra units along the route of the march and the site of the rally. The rally and march were peaceful, and no arrests were reported.

The rally ended at approximately 4:00 p.m., and the demonstrators dispersed without incident.

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CONFERENCE (SCLC)

A copy of this memorandum is being furnished to the following agencies:

The United States Attorney's Office
Chicago, Illinois

The United States Secret Service
Chicago, Illinois

The Region 1, 113th Military
Intelligence Group
Evanston, Illinois

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Date: May 27, 1970

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To: Director, FBI

From: SAC, Cleveland (157-2870) (C)

Subject: PARADE COMMEMORATING MEMORY OF STUDENTS KILLED AT KENT STATE; AUGUSTA, GEORGIA; AND JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, MAY 23, 1970, SPONSORED BY SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), CLEVELAND, OHIO
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REFERENCE

Cleveland airtel, May 20, 1970.

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Enclosed are eleven copies of an LHM, captioned and dated as above.

Copies of enclosed LHM are being disseminated to the United States Attorney, US Secret Service, and military intelligence agencies at Cleveland, Ohio.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-65141)(RUC)

RE: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RM
OO:Atlanta

Re Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau and Atlanta dated 5/28/70.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) concerning captioned organization. Also enclosed for Atlanta are two copies of the same LHM.

Copies of this LHM are being disseminated to Secret Service, Los Angeles, and the local military agencies.

Bureau agents who observed the rally discussed in enclosed LHM are SA [redacted] b7c

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The enclosed LHM is being classified confidential inasmuch as the unauthorized disclosure of the information contained therein could result in the identification and compromise of a source of continuing value which could adversely affect the internal security of the United States.

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(1 - 100-65405)(Reverend H. H. BROOKINS)
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RACIAL MATTERS

On May 28, 1970, agents of the FBI observed a rally sponsored by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) Community Coalition held on the steps of the Los Angeles City Hall beginning at 12:35 p.m. and terminating at 1:25 p.m. The rally was attended by approximately 500 to 600 individuals, the majority of whom were Negroes and white hippie types. The rally was in the nature of a tribunal for the purpose of indicting the "Government" and specifically California Governor Ronald Reagan and Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty because of their repressive policies against minority races. Seven individuals delivered speeches at the rally. Two of these speakers were introduced as SCLC officials: Reverend H. H. Brookins, described as the local chairman of the SCLC, and Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, introduced as a national SCLC official and Director of Operation Breadbasket. The remaining speakers were introduced as students who testified to alleged racist and oppressive policies of the Government.

Reverend H. H. Brookins, the first speaker, set forth the purpose of the rally, which was to indict Reagan and Yorty and criticize them for repressive policies against minority races. Brookins was followed by Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, who stated the Government was guilty of racist and oppresive policies and that the Government did not represent minority groups. During his speech, he quoted from the Declaration of Independence as follows: "It is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government and provide new guards for their security." Frequently, during his speech, Jackson utilized the clenched

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fist symbol of black power and the V symbol for peace. The next speaker was introduced as a Mexican-American, who appeared to be approximately 24 years of age. He delivered a highly emotional speech in which he condemned the Government as being responsible for the oppressive actions taken against Mexican-Americans. He called for unity within all minority groups in order to fight the establishment. He was followed by a Negro female approximately 25 years of age who was introduced as Fay Colfield, allegedly a student at Los Angeles City College. She indicted the police for harassment and intimidation of the Negro race and specifically the Black Panther Party (see Appendix). She related how she had allegedly been arrested by police the evening of May 27, 1970, on the charge of being drunk. She stated that she had been released just prior to the time of the rally. She denied any validity of the charge for which she had been arrested and emphasized that this was a common ploy used by police to harass Negroes.

Colfield was followed by an individual introduced as Oscar Z. Acosta, who was described as a Mexican-American lawyer and a current candidate for the Los Angeles County Sheriff. Acosta set forth what he termed the oppressive conditions of the Mexican-American in the United States and specifically condemned the United States Government for being historically responsible for these conditions. He condemned the Immigration and Naturalization Service for illegal deportation of United States citizens of Mexican ancestry and alleged that recent mass deportations were accomplished by use of cattle cars and box cars. He called for unity among minority races, but stated that the blacks would have to accede to the territorial demands of the Mexican-Americans.

The next speaker was a female who appeared to be approximately 22 years of age, who was introduced as a student of Chinese descent, who represented a Chinese organization against fascism in the United States. She condemned the United States policies in the Far East as being fascist and imperialistic. She also called for unity among United States minority groups to overthrow

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the alleged 'fascist government of the United States". She specifically condemned FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover for his alleged statement that there were over 300,000 Chinese nationals in the United States who were potential subversives.

The final speaker at the rally was James Fred Berland, who was introduced as the Director of the Los Angeles Committee for the Defense of the Bill of Rights (see Appendix). Berland accused the Government of an "oppression of the mind" in that the Government and the country's educational institutions fostered a society which oppresses minority groups and promotes racism.

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During the rally, it was announced that future meetings would be held to draw up an indictment against Yorty and Reagan for the purpose of subpoenaing them before the people.

At the conclusion of the speeches, the audience was asked by Jackson to return a verdict against Reagan and Yorty, at which time he hed the audience in a return of guilty.

The demonstration was peaceful and there were no incidents or arrests.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther", which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service", states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, GEORGE MASON MURRAY, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement"...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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APPENDIX

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS
formerly known as Los Angeles Committee for
Protection of Foreign Born (LACDBR)

A source advised in May 1969 that the LACDBR has expanded its former scope of interest relating to the foreign born, and has become a militant general defense organization allegedly seeking to safeguard the rights of all individuals, including the foreign born, as well as those seeking to avoid military service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

The LACDBR is a non-membership organization which is represented by an Administrative Board of about 125 individuals form loosely organized area committees interested in the work of the LACDBR. These board members are invited by ROSE CHERNIN, Executive Director of the LACDBR, who is the guiding, dominant, and motivating force behind the LACDBR. Its headquarters are maintained at 326 West Third Street, Los Angeles, California.

Another source advised in May 1969, that ROSE CHERNIN is currently Organizational Sevretary of the Moranda Smith Section of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP).

APPENDIX

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 6/8/70

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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OO: Atlanta

Re report of SA [redacted] dated 5/4/70, at Atlanta.

It is noted that SCLC activity in the Chicago area has been limited primarily to the activities of Operation Breadbasket, the economic program of that organization. Chicago has a separate file on Operation Breadbasket and pertinent information has been reported on the activities of that group.

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A review of the Chicago file on SCLC failed to disclose any information relevant to CP influence, control, or infiltration of that organization in the Chicago Division since the submission of Chicago letter to the Bureau dated 8/25/69, and, therefore, no report is being submitted at this time.

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Via _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-111181)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-158917)

SUBJECT: NEW MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM (NMC) IS-INFORMATION CONCERNING VIDEM

ReNYat to the Bureau, 6/8/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 14 copies of an LHM concerning a National Action Conference at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 6/26-27/70.

Copies of the LHM are disseminated to appropriate recipient offices.

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The LHM is classified, "Confidential" to protect source, a confidential informant of continuing value.

LHM enclosed with reNYat quotes an advertisement of the NMC in the 6/7/70 issue of "The New York Times" that the conference sponsored by the NMC and the SCLC at Milwaukee, Wisconsin on 6/26-27/70 is called, "Emergency Action Conference."

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New Mobilization Committee
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Copies of this memorandum are being disseminated to the Naval Investigative Service Office, the 108th Military Intelligence Group and the Office of Special Investigations, all of New York City.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 6/17/70

FROM : SAC, COLUMBIA (100-28) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SCHEDULED SCLC RALLY,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA,
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No information was developed by the Columbia Division indicating any involvement in captioned rally of known militants or black extremists from South Carolina. No additional investigation is being conducted.

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(1- 100-153735, CIRM)
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JACK O'DELL

The Summer, 1958, issue of "Freedomways" lists Jim. O'Dell(Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing Editor.

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The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
June 23, 1970

Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE; COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned as above, prepared at Atlanta.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

TO: Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 6/22/70

1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. J. C. Michela

FROM: G. C. Moore

SUBJECT: FOREIGN INFLUENCE IN U. S.
BLACK EXTREMIST ACTIVITIES
RACIAL MATTERS

To obtain authority to send attached letter to all field offices alerting them to plans by World Council of Peace (WCP) to expand activities among black extremist groups in U. S.

The Control Committee of WCP, a Soviet dominated international communist movement, met in Finland 5/29-31/70 to establish priorities for coming year. Decision made to immediately launch program to improve existing relations with U. S. organizations and seek new contacts with other U. S. groups. Efforts will include concentration on organizations of pacifist nature but special effort will be made to expand its activities among black organizations in U. S. WCP has already put out feelers to pacifist-oriented black group identified as "Martin Luther King movement" (presumably Southern Christian Leadership Conference).

WCP intends to increase racial problems by agitation among U. S. black groups, possibly by renewing interest in Black Muslim movement in U. S. One plan is to raise money from various Arab governments to invite black U. S. leaders to Near East. Fund raising goal set at $1 million. 100-438794

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ACTION: If approved, attached ~~letter will be sent~~ all field offices alerting them to WCP plans to expand activities in black extremist field.

Information concerning WCP plans to concentrate efforts on U. S. pacifist groups has already been furnished those offices handling preponderance of antiwar activity.

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Character RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (P)

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that during the afternoon of June 15, 1970, a dinner type meeting was held by a number of officials (identities not known) in facilities of the Paschal Motor Hotel. Source also advised he had determined on June 18, 1970, that Stanley Levison spent the night of June 15, 1970, at this motel.

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11:17 AM IMMEDIATE 5/18/70 VLW

TO DIRECTOR 100-438794

CHICAGO

LOS ANGELES

FROM ATLANTA 100-5718

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. RM.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, MORNING NEWSPAPER, ON MAY EIGHTEEN, SEVENTY, PUBLISHED ARTICLE CAPTIONED "ABERNATHY TELLS PLAN FOR BIG MARCH HERE" BYLINED ALEX COFFIN. ARTICLE REFLECTED RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), ANNOUNCED A MARCH AGAINST "VIOLENCE, BRUTALITY AND KILLINGS THAT HAVE THROWN AMERICA INTO A NATIONAL EMERGENCY IN RECENT WEEKS" WOULD BE HELD IN ATLANTA ON MAY TWENTY THREE, SEVENTY. THIS MARCH WILL COMMENCE AT TEN THIRTY A.M. AT THE TOMB OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., FORMER PRESIDENT, SCLC, PROCEED TO THE GEORGIA STATE CAPITOL, AND THEN TO MOREHOUSE COLLEGE, ATLANTA, FOR A RALLY.

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ACCORDING TO ABERNATHY, THE NAMES OF THE NATION'S "TEN MOST UNWANTED POLITICIANS" WILL BE REVEALED. HE ALSO SAID THAT THIS ACTIVITY WOULD ADDRESS ITSELF TO THE "WANTON MURDER" OF SIX BLACK MEN IN AUGUSTA, THE "INCREASINGLY BRUTAL REPRESSION" OF NEGRO MOVEMENTS IN THE SOUTH, THE KILLING OF THE FOUR KENT STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, THE "NATIONAL CLIMATE OF FEAR AND REPRESSION" CAUSED BY THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION AND THE ESCALATION OF THE VIETNAM WAR. ABERNATHY ALSO SAID HE WOULD ANNOUNCE AT THE RALLY SCLC'S PLANS FOR OTHER ACTIVITY DURING THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

ABERNATHY ANNOUNCED THAT ON MAY TWENTY THREE, SEVENTY, ADDITIONAL SCLC MARCHES WOULD BE ORGANIZED IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AND LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

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[redacted] ADVISED ON MAY EIGHTEEN, SEVENTY, THAT HE HAD NO ADDITIONAL DETAILS THAN THE ABOVE REGARDING THE FOREGOING ACTIVITY. b7D
NO INFORMATION HAD COME TO THE ATTENTION [redacted] SUGGESTING UNUSUAL PROBLEMS WILL BE ENCOUNTERED MARCH TWENTY THREE, SEVENTY.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-8428) AND MOBILE.

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-115) 2P

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ACTIVITY, POOR PEOPLES MARCH, SHELBY AND BIBB COUNTIES, ALABAMA, JUNE TWENTY, SIXTYNINE. RM.

FBI AGENTS OBSERVED THE FOLLOWING:

APPROXIMATELY FIFTYSIX NEGROES, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF ANDREW HOCKER, SCLC FIELD WORKER, DEPARTED ON FOOT FROM NEGRO SCHOOL, ALABASTER, ALA., PROCEEDED NORTH ON HIGHWAY THIRTYONE FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE THEN TURNED SOUTHWEST ON HIGHWAY ONE THREE NINE LEADING TO MONTEVALLO. MARCHERS WALKED APPROXIMATELY FOUR MILES ON HIGHWAY ONE THREE NINE THEN RESTED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MINUTES. MARCHERS THEN LOADED INTO RENTED RYDER TRUCK AND SEVERAL AUTOMOBILES AND DROVE INTO NEGRO NEIGHBORHOOD IN MONTEVALLO AND STOPPED AT NEGRO CHURCH. GROUP ARRIVED MONTEVALLO CHURCH APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM. GROUP ATE LUNCH AND RESTED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY FOUR FIFTEEN PM.

GROUP, WHICH NUMBERED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY, LOADED INTO RENTED

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RYDER TRUCK AND PROCEEDED ONTO HIGHWAY TWENTYFIVE AND DROVE TO CENTREVILLE. GROUP ARRIVED FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, CENTREVILLE.

[redacted] ADVISES GROUP WILL REMAIN ALL NIGHT AT BAPTIST CHURCH, CENTREVILLE, BIBB COUNTY, AND LEAVE EIGHT AM, JUNE TWENTYONE, ON THEIR WAY TO MONTGOMERY VIA CLANTON, ALABAMA. b7D

THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS AND NO VIOLENCE DURING THIS MARCH.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

LOCAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES PRESENT DURING MARCH. MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, U. S. ATTORNEY AND SECRET SERVICE WILL BE NOTIFIED. LHM FOLLOWS. AIR MAIL COPIES TO ATLANTA AND JACKSON.

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Date: June 23, 1970

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-111181)

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (100-17073) (P)

SUBJECT: CHANGED
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Title CHANGED to reflect correct dates of conference as 6/27-28/70, instead of 6/26-27/70, as previously captioned.

Re Bureau airtel to New York, 6/8/70, in case captioned New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, IS-INFORMATION CONCERNING, VIDEM.

5-Bureau (62-111181) (AM)
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(1-Southern Christian Leadership Conference)
(1-VIDEM)
3-Atlanta (100-7859) (AM)
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2-Chicago (100-41932) (Regular Mail)
2-Cleveland (100-28047) (AM)
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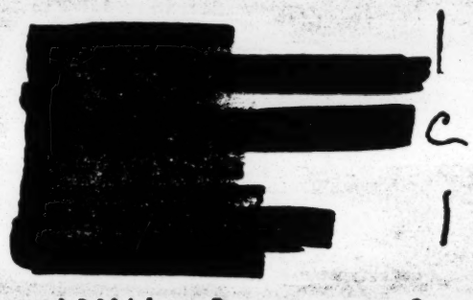
On 6/15/70, [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised that his department is aware of the Emergency Action Conference scheduled by the Committee for Informed Involvement, (CII), at the UW-Milwaukee planned for 6/27-28/70. [redacted] noted that DAVE BEGEL, T. J. HARKNESS, JACK CUMMINGS, BRUCE TREICHEL, and RAY CANTU have contacted him in regard to all arrangements for facilities. [redacted] notes the estimated number of invited delegates may range up to 1500; however, he notes that a realistic figure would approximate 400. Efforts by the CII leaders have been denied by UW administrators. However, rooms on the first floor of Bolton Hall have been provided for meetings, and the Student Union Building had been made available at designated hours. b7D

Milwaukee is presently aware of the attendance and coverage to be provided by:



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Additional coverage from other Milwaukee sources is anticipated; however, at this date the names of these informants is not known to the Milwaukee Division.

Milwaukee is presently unaware of the specific schedule of events for the conference; however, indications have been received that a workshop format will be utilized.

All recipient offices, upon receipt of Bureau authorization for attendance of an informant, should advise Milwaukee of same and notify informant to contact the Milwaukee FBI through public telephone number upon arrival in Milwaukee for conference.

FBI

Date: 7/13/70

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

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JACK O'DELL

The Summer, 1969, issue of "Freedomways" lists J.H. O'Dell(Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing Editor.

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The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

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Atlanta, Georgia
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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OO: ATLANTA

Re Atlanta airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 6/23/70.

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NOTE:

SCLC has taken a more militant stance in civil rights and is in need of funds, indicating the possibility that a confrontation with resulting publicity may be planned at its coming convention. Such notoriety usually brings additional funds. SCLC also becoming more involved in local politics and antiwar activities, emphasizing the need to adequately cover the convention.

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TO DIRECTOR

AND

ATLANTA

FROM DALLAS (157-NEW)

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) PICKETING OF SAFEWAY GROCERY STORES, DALLAS, TEXAS, JULY TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTY. RACIAL MATTER. OO - ATLANTA

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STORES, DALLAS, ALSO ADVISED.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (100-5718)(P)

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REASON FOR EXTENSION FCIM, II, 1-2.4.2
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, 7/23/70 captioned as above.

Enclosed for Birmingham are two Xerox copies of re Bureau airtel.

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Effort is being made to secure the program of this convention at the earliest possible moment. When obtained, a copy thereof will be forwarded interested offices. It is noted however in the past SCLC convention programs have on occasion not be finalized until almost the last moment. Atlanta's experience in the past with annual SCLC conventions has indicated these functions are expensive for participants and locally coordinated from an organizational standpoint. Except for a meeting of the SCLC Board of Directors and frequently a

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conjunction with a meeting of the SCLC Executive Staff, the convention as such does not resolve any issues of SCLC policy.

Normally the convention has scheduled for each day one or more "panels", "workshops", "discussions", etc. regarding current civil rights or economic issues. In the past the convention program usually indicates who might speak at such a function or serve as chairman or moderator.

In view of the fact our investigation of SCLC is concerned with communist infiltration thereof, sources attending the 1970 SCLC convention should realize our interests will be served better by them attending or participating in such convention activity as mentioned above, particularly when the program indicates participation therein by persons known to have or have had some CP history.

For the information of recipient offices, such persons are identified below together with their SCLC status:

JAMES BEVEL
(former SCLC Director, Non-violent Education)

HARRY BELAFONTE
(member SCLC Board of Directors)

RANDOLPH T. BLACKWELL
(former Program Director, SCLC)

STONEY COOKS
(Aide to the President, SCLC)

THOMAS E. HOUCK, JR.
(SCLC Field Representative)

STANLEY LEVISON
(member SCLC Board of Directors)

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JACK O'DELL
(SCLC Executive Director)

LAURENCE DUNCAN
(SCLC Treasurer)

COLEY WILLIAMS
(former Director of Affiliates, SCLC)

HARRY WACHTEL
(member SCLC Board of Directors).

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It is felt additional coverage of this convention by sources from one or two other offices will be desirable.

Upon receipt of Bureau authority for utilization of sources from other offices, necessary information re contacting Atlanta will be furnished.

The Bureau and interested offices will be promptly furnished pertinent details as developed.

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PM NITEL 7-25-70 JDP

TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA

FROM DALLAS (157-363) (RUC)

TELETYPE

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) PICKETING OF SAFEWAY GROCERY STORES, DALLAS, TEXAS, JULY TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTY. RACIAL MATTER. OO-ATLANTA.

[redacted]

[redacted] ON JULY TWENTYFIVE, INSTANT, ADVISED THAT THE SCLC DID SPONSOR A NON-VIOLENT PICKETING OF TWO SAFEWAY STORES, LOCATED AT THIRTY THREE THIRTY FOUR HATCHER STREET, AND AT FORTY THREE ONE FIVE SOUTH LANCASTER, BOTH DALLAS, AND IN A PREDOMINANTLY NEGRO NEIGHBORHOOD, PROTESTING THE LACK OF NEGRO MANAGERS IN THESE STORES. [redacted] STATED THE PICKETING COMMENCED AT ONE PM, INSTANT DATE, WITH FOUR NEGRO MALE INDIVIDUALS PASSING OUT LEAFLETS WITH ABOVE COMPLAINT IN FRONT OF EACH STORE UNTIL FOUR PM, WHE, THE PICKETING ENDED WITH NO ARRESTS, INCIDENTS, OR VIOLENCE. JUST BEFORE THE PICKETING, A SHORT RALLY WAS HELD

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AT THE FAITH CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TWO NINE ZERO THREE GRAND ST., DALLAS, WITH SCLC MEMBER BILL STONER PRESIDING. IT IS NOTED ABOVE CHURCH WAS LOCATION OF A PREVIOUS SCLC RALLY HELD ON MAY TWENTY THREE LAST, IN PROTEST TO VIOLENCE ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES.

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[redacted] ADVISED FURTHER THAT TOTAL NUMBER OF PICKETS WAS ABOUT TWENTY, WITH SAME NUMBER AT THE INITIAL RALLY.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED BY DALLAS, DUE TO ISOLATED INCIDENT OF ABOVE MATTER. RE DALLAS TELETYPE, CAPTIONED ABOVE JULY TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-47194) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, 7/23/70.

Sources and informants in the Racial and Security Field have been contacted concerning the Annual Convention of SCLC at Atlanta, Ga., 8/11-14/70 but they have either not received invitations or are not in a position to go.

Any information concerning convention plans or individuals who may possibly attend as sources will be promptly reported to the Bureau and Atlanta.

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2-Atlanta (100-5718) RM
1-Philadelphia (100-47194)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
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(OO: ATLANTA)

Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, et al, dated 7/23/70 and Chicago airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 7/22/70.

Referenced Chicago airtel reported substantially the information requested by the Bureau concerning Chicago sources available to attend the SCLC Convention.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-10173) (P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta dated 7/23/70.

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No commitment has been made, and Charlotte will await further information from Atlanta and Bureau to determine if coverage is needed and authorized.

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To: SAC, Atlanta

From: Director, FBI

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Reurtel 8/1/70 captioned "Coretta Scott King, RM; Institute of the Black World."

Efforts should be initiated promptly and followed closely to ascertain the identity of the grantor of the financial grant anticipated by the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Foundation.

Submit results in form suitable for dissemination.

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NOTE: On 7/31/70 Coretta King, widow of late Martin Luther King, Jr., dismissed a number of the staff of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Foundation because of her dissatisfaction with them, particularly in connection with an anticipated financial grant to be made to the Foundation in the near future. The identity of the grantor was not known.

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TO DIRECTOR 100-438794

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FROM ATLANTA 100-5718 2P

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COMINFIL OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.

RM. IS - C.

RE ATLANTA AIRTEL TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO AIRTEL TO BUREAU, BOTH JULY TWENTYEIGHT, SEVENTY, AND JACKSON AIRTEL TO BUREAU AUGUST FOUR, SEVENTY, ALL CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS REFER TO SCLC ANNUAL CONVENTION AUGUST ELEVEN DASH FOURTEEN, SEVENTY, AT ATLANTA.

AS OF THIS DATE, ATLANTA SOURCES HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN CONVENTION PROGRAM. REGISTRATION CENTER FOR CONVENTION ESTABLISHED TO BE MOUNT MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH, TWO HUNDRED ASHBY STREET, SW, ATLANTA, OF WHICH ONE HOWARD CREECY IS MINISTER.

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JACK O'DELL

The Summer, 1968, issue of "Freedomways" lists J. H. O'Dell (Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing Editor.

FREEDOMWAYS ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED

The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
August 5, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

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Character	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST
Reference	Memorandum prepared at Atlanta, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO DIRECTOR 100-438794

FROM ATLANTA 100-5718

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[redacted] SESSION OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) CONVENED AT APPROXIMATELY TEN AM AT THE WEST HUNTER STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, ATLANTA. RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SCLC, DELIVERED THE "PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS". ABERNATHY STRESSED PROBLEMS FACED BY ALL POOR PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES AND CRITICIZED LACK OF CONCERN FOR THESE PEOPLE ON PART OF THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION. HE REFERRED TO PRESIDENT NIXON AS A "TYRANT". ABERNATHY DECLARED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PEOPLE EVEN IF THIS MEANT "TAKING OVER" CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. ABERNATHY DID NOT DEFINE HIS PHRASE "TAKING OVER".

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OTHER SCHEDULED PORTIONS OF THE CONVENTION FOR AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, INCLUDE SEVERAL WORK SHOPS ON CURRENT ISSUES, A VISIT TO THE GRAVE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., FORMER PRESIDENT, SCLC, AND THE CONVENTION BANQUET IN THE EVENING AT THE MARRIOTT MOTOR HOTEL, ATLANTA.

SOURCE ADVISED SHORTLY AFTER ABERNATHY BEGAN SPEAKING ON MORNING AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, TWO NEGRO MALES NOISILY ATTEMPTED TO ENTER FRONT OF CHURCH BUT WERE REMOVED BY USHERS. THESE INDIVIDUALS SUBSEQUENTLY ENTERED CHURCH AND CAUSED APPRECIABLE CONFUSION BY DEMANDING USE OF ABERNATHY'S MICROPHONE. MICROPHONE EVENTUALLY FURNISHED TO ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS BY ABERNATHY. INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS TIM HAYES OF THE GEORGIA BLACK LIBERATION FRONT (BLF), AND STATED COMPANION (NOT IDENTIFIED) WAS ALSO WITH BLF. HAYES CRITICIZED SCLC FOR NOT ACCOMPLISHING THINGS (NOT SPECIFIED) IT SHOULD ACCOMPLISH. DEMANDED SCLC GIVE ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BLF. ABERNATHY RE-TOOK MICROPHONE, ADDRESSED HAYES AS "MY BROTHER". TOLD HAYES SCLC ALREADY HAS ASSISTED BLF BY FURNISHING MONEY AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE. SAID BLF HAS ACCOMPLISHED SOME GOOD BY FEEDING AND ASSISTING NEEDY NEGRO CHILDREN. ABERNATHY

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AT 100-5718

ACCUSED BLF, HOWEVER, OF "TEACHING HATRED". ORDER WAS THEN RESTORED TO CONVENTION MEETING AND ABERNATHY CONTINUED HIS ADDRESS.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

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TIM HAYES' CONNECTIONS WITH BLF ARE KNOWN TO ATLANTA.

AMRM COPY SENT JACKSON.

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MR. BRENNA

Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 8-13-70

Attached pertains to the 8-12-70 session of the Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). In the "President's Address" by Ralph Abernathy, he called President Nixon a tyrant whose administration lacked concern for poor people. He declared the Government of the U.S. must be returned to the people even if it meant "taking over" Congress and the Department of Justice. Atlanta subsequently advised review of video tape of speech reveals Abernathy stated, "We may be forced to liberate and occupy the Justice Department and the Congress."

Copy of attached sent Inter-Division Information Unit and Internal Security Division of the Department. Pertinent parts will be included in teletype summary to the White House, Vice President, Attorney General, military, and Secret Service.

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1:47AM IMMEDIATE 8-13-70 LWG

TO DIRECTOR (100-438794)

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RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO BUREAU AUGUST TWELVE SEVENTY AND BUPHONE CALL TO ATLANTA SAME DATE.

REFERENCED COMMUNICATIONS REFER TO SPEACH BY RALPH D. ABERNATHY MADE AT WEST HUNTER STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, ATLANTA, AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY.

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ON AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, DAILY ATLANTA NEWSPAPER, BLUE STREAK EDITION, PAGE ELEVEN C, PUBLISHED ARTICLE REFERRING TO SAME SPEACH BY ABERNATHY. ARTICLE BYLINED MORRIS SHELTON, CAPTIONED QUOTE ABERNATHY CALLS FOR DEFEAT OF FASCIST DOMINATION END QUOTE. ARTICLE IN PART STATED QUOTE DEPLORING NIXON ADMINISTRATION POLICIES, ABERNATHY DECLARED THE GOP LEADER MUST BE TURNED OUT OF OFFICE END QUOTE. ARTICLE AT THIS POINT QUOTED ABERNATHY QUOTE IF THERE IS ANY HOPE LEFT FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT, AND IF WE ARE TO REVERSE THIS FASCIST DOMINATION END QUOTE. THIS ARTICLE DID NOT REFER TO STATEMENT OF ABERNATHY APPEARING ON AFOREMENTION VIDEO TAPE.

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AN ARTICLE CAPTIONED "FBI TAPS PHONES, ABERNATHY SAYS" WHICH APPEARED IN THE AUGUST ELEVEN, SEVENTY, ISSUE OF THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, STATES THAT RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), KICKED OFF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SCLC CONVENTION ON AUGUST ELEVEN, SEVENTY, BY STATING IN RESPONSE TO NEWSPAPERMEN'S QUESTIONING CONCERNING THE TIME MAGAZINE ARTICLE REPORTING THE DIRECTOR CONFRONTED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WITH INFORMATION REVEALED THROUGH WIRETAPS ABOUT KING'S ALLEGED EXTRAMARITAL ACTIVITIES, THAT THE ~~FBI IS~~ TAPPING PHONE CONVERSATIONS OF TOP SCLC LEADERS. ABERNATHY EXPLAINED HE KNEW THE WIRETAPPING WAS TAKING PLACE BECAUSE OF VARIOUS NOISES, INTERFERENCE, AND VOICES WHICH HE OCCASIONALLY HEARS WHILE ENGAGED IN TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS AT HIS HOME.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date August 12, 1970

Attached pertains to newspaper reports that Ralph Abernathy, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), in discussing the report in "Time" magazine about the meeting between the Director and the late Martin Luther King, Jr., stated on 8-11-70 that the FBI is currently tapping the telephones of top SCLC officials.

This allegation is completely false. There are no telephone taps on the SCLC or any of its officials. No dissemination is being made of attached.

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THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, DAILY ATLANTA NEWSPAPER, ON PAGE SEVENTEEN - A OF ITS AUGUST FOURTEEN, SEVENTY, EDITION PUBLISHED ARTICLE CAPTIONED "SCLC URGES HOOVER INQUIRY", BY-LINED ALEX COFFIN. THIS ARTICLE REFLECTED JESSE JACKSON, IDENTIFIED AS DIRECTOR OF SCLC OPERATION BREADBASKET, ADDRESSED

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THE ATLANTA PRESS CLUB ON AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, JACKSON REFERRED TO RECENT PUBLICITY ALLEGING THAT IN SIXTYFOUR THE FBI CONFRONTED MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR, FORMER PRESIDENT, SCLC, WITH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM "WIRE TAPS". JACKSON DECLARED "THE FBI SAYS IT DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR CATCHING DOPE PEDDLERS, BUT RUNS AROUND MAKING STAG FILMS".

THE BLUE STREAK EDITION OF THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, DAILY ATLANTA NEWSPAPER, ON PAGE ELEVEN - A OF ITS AUGUST FOURTEEN EDITION PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE CAPTIONED "ABERNATHY ACCUSES NATION: LYER...MURDERER...PROSTITUTE", BY-LINED MORRIS SHELTON. THIS ARTICLE INDICATED RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SCLC, EXTEMPORANEOUSLY ADDRESSED THE SCLC CONVENTION ON THE NIGHT OF AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY. ABERNATHY REFERRED TO THE UNITED STATES AS A NATION CLAIMING TO STAND FOR JUSTICE AND EQUALITY FOR ALL AND DECLARED "SHE IS GUILTY OF PRACTICING ONE THING WHILE PREACHING ANOTHER". THE ARTICLE DESCRIBED ABERNATHY AS "PERFORMING" ON THIS OCCASION AS A "SELF PROCLAIMED COURTROOM PROSECUTOR" OF THE AMERICAN SYSTEM AND HE DENOUNCED

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LEONARD WOODCOCK, PRESIDENT, UNITED AUTO WORKERS (UAW), ALSO SPOKE TO THE CONVENTION. THE ARTICLE INDICATED WOODCOCK PLEDGED THE UAW'S SUPPORT OF SCLC CAUSES AND "CALLED FOR A COALITION OF THE WHITE LABORING CLASS AND THE BLACKS TO 'BRING THE WORLD BACK TO SANITY'".

SOURCE ADVISED ON AUGUST FOURTEEN, SEVENTY, THAT THE CLIMAXING EVENT OF THE SCLC CONVENTION WOULD BE THE "CONVENTION SERMON" SCHEDULED TO BE DELIVERED AT ELEVEN AM AUGUST FOURTEEN, SEVENTY, AT THE MT. MORIAH BAPTISH CHURCH BY MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR., FATHER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND MEMBER OF SCLC BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

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Attached concerns activities at the Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) which is being held in Atlanta, Georgia. Jesse Jackson, an SCLC official, spoke in a derogatory manner about the FBI in regard to recent publicity alleging immoral conduct of late Martin Luther King, Jr.

Copy of attached sent Inter-Division Information Unit and Internal Security Division of the Department. Pertinent parts will be included in teletype summary to the White House, Vice President, Attorney General, the military and Secret Service.

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FROM ATLANTA 100-5718

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RE ATLANTA TEL AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, DAILY ATLANTA, GEORGIA, NEWSPAPER, IN ITS AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY, MORNING EDITION, ON PAGE ONE-A, PUBLISHED ARTICLE CAPTIONED QUOTE ABERNATHY OUTLINES ANTI-WAR CAMPAIGN UNQUOTE, BY LINED ALEX COFFIN. THIS ARTICLE REVEALED THAT DURING AFTERNOON OF AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, RALPH D. ABERNATHY, PRESIDENT, SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC), HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SCLC CONVENTION CURRENTLY BEING HELD IN ATLANTA. DURING THIS CONFERENCE, ABERNATHY, THE ARTICLE SAID, STRESSED HIS CONCERN OVER THE SLOW PROGRESS OF ACHIEVING GAINS FOR THE POOR AND THE BLACK. CONSEQUENTLY, HE SAID SCLC WILL QUOTE TIE UP THE WASHINGTON SCENE UNQUOTE

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THROUGH MASS ARRESTS THAT WILL FOLLOW SIT-INS AND OCCUPATION OF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS. ABERNATHY SAID THIS ACTIVITY WOULD BE MORE MILITANT THAN PREVIOUS MARCHES AND DEMONSTRATIONS BUT QUOTE STILL NON-VIOLENT CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE MUST OCCUR UNQUOTE IN ORDER QUOTE TO CALL A HALT TO BUSINESS AS USUAL UNQUOTE. HE DID NOT SPECIFY A DATE. THE BLUE STREAK EDITION OF THE ATLANTA JOURNAL, DAILY ATLANTA NEWPAPER, IN ITS AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY, EDITION ON PAGE TWENTYTHREE - A, PUBLISHED ARTICLE ENTITLED QUOTE MC GOVERN LASHES BACK AT DEFAMATION OF KING UNQUOTE, BY-LINED MORRIS SHELTON. THIS ARTICLE REVEALED APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND PERSONS ATTENDED THE CONVENTION BANQUET OF SCLC HELD ON THE NIGHT OF AUGUST TWELVE, SEVENTY, AT THE MARRIOTT MOTEL, ATLANTA, AT WHICH THE MAIN SPEAKER WAS SENATOR GEORGE MC GOVERN, SOUTH DAKOTA. THE ARTICLE STATED THAT MC GOVERN PRAISED SCLC'S QUOTE BRILLIANT CONTRIBUTIONS UNQUOTE TOWARD INCREASING THE STANDARD OF LIVING OF THE NEGRO. MC GOVERN QUOTE LASHED OUT AT WHAT HE CHARGED WAS A RECENT VENAL EFFORT TO DEFAME THE MEMORY OF THE LATE REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., UNQUOTE (FORMER PRESIDENT SCLC).

THIS ARTICLE POINTED OUT THAT COMEDIAN DICK GREGORY WAS SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS THIS BANQUET BUT DID NOT APPEAR. CASSIUS

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CLAY, FORMER HEAVY WEIGHT BOXING CHAMPION, BRIEFLY SPOKE. CLAY COMMENTED IN REGARD TO SOCIAL PROGRESS MADE BY NEGROES AND STATED QUOTE TO ME WE AIN'T MAKING NO DAMN PROGRESS UNQUOTE. THE BANQUET PROGRAM WAS CHAIRED BY ANDREW J. YOUNG, FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SCLC. DURING THE BANQUET THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., QUOTE AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN NON-VIOLENT SOCIAL MOVEMENT UNQUOTE WAS PRESENTED TO ARCHBISHOP HELDER CAMERA PESSOA OF BRAZIL.

ON AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THE SCLC BANQUET ON THE NIGHT OF AUGUST TWELVE APPEARED TO SUFFER FROM APPRECIABLE DISORGANIZATION TO THE EXTENT MANY PERSONS WERE SERVED ONLY PART OF THE SCHEDULED MEAL. MANY INDIVIDUALS EXPRESSED DISPLEASURE AT THIS AND ASKED WHETHER SCLC WAS ONLY CONCERNED WITH THE TEN DOLLAR PER PLATE COST OF THE DINNER.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT CONVENTION ACTIVITY DURING THE DAY ON AUGUST THIRTEEN, SEVENTY, CONSISTED OF A MORNING SESSION AT THE MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH, ATLANTA, AT WHICH QUOTE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS UNQUOTE BY VARIOUS SCLC OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOGNIZED RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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OF THE ORGANIZATION. IN THE AFTERNOON, A WORKSHOP WAS HELD CONCERNING QUOTE ORGANIZING THE NORTHERN GHETTO UNQUOTE AT THE ABOVE CHURCH. THESE FUNCTIONS WERE HELD WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 8-13-70

Attached pertains to the 8-13-70 session of the Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). Ralph Abernathy, President of SCLC, held a press conference on 8-12-70 stating SCLC will "tie up the Washington scene" through mass arrests that will follow sit-ins and occupation of Government buildings.

Copy of attached sent Inter-Division Information Unit and Internal Security Division of the Department. Pertinent parts will be included in teletype summary to the White House, Vice President, Attorney General, the military and Secret Service.

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Voluminous pamphlets and brochures obtained by source at SCLC conference 8/11-14/70, are being retained by the Jackson Division in 1-A section of 100-56 for possible future reference.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
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On August 12 and 17, 1970, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information:

The thirteenth annual Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) convention was held in Atlanta, Georgia, August 11-14, 1970. Registration took place at the West Hunter Street Baptist Church, 775 Hunter Street, Northwest, Atlanta, Georgia. This convention was attended by approximately 1,000 persons and the theme of this convention was "We the People... for People's Government".

The following is a program of the thirteenth annual SCLC convention:

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SCLC CONVENTION
August 11 - 14, 1970
Atlanta, Georgia

Tuesday, August 11th

10:00 A.M.	Registration - West Hunter Street Baptist Church 775 Hunter Street, N. W.
12:00 Noon	Board of Directors Meeting and Luncheon (Closed), Paschal's Motor Hotel, 830 Hunter Street, S. W.

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Opening Session

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
200 Ashby Street, S. W.

Presiding: Reverend Edgar Thomas, Board Member

2:00 P.M. - 6:15 P.M.

Acknowledgements:
Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, President Emeritus, Morehouse College;
Mr. D. F. Glover, Candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Georgia;
Mrs. June Cofer, Atlanta Board of Education

Workshop:
"Organizing Students and the Crisis in Education" - Mrs. Dorothy F. Cotton, Presiding;
Panel: Rev. T. Y. Rogers, Jr.
Mr. Rhody McCoy,
Mr. D. F. Glover,
Mr. Bryce Smith,
Miss Linda Cusumano
Mr. Anibal Solivan
Rev. Bernard Lafayette
Mr. Tom Houck

Entertainment Night

Morehouse College Gymnasium
862 Fair Street, S. W.
7:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Reverend Walter Fauntroy, Presiding
Miss Kim Weston
Mr. Billy Eckstine
Reverend Cleophas Robinson
SCLC Operation Breadbasket Choir
Philadelphia Freedom Choir

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Speakers at the workshop held on Tuesday, August 11, 1970, were Mrs. Dorothy F. Cotten, Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Rhody McCoy, who spoke for approximately one and one-half hours, discussing the Brownsville Oceanhill Project - New York City, Bryce Smith, and D. F. Glover.

Wednesday, August 12th

8:00 A.M. Breakfast

Morning Session
West Hunter Street Baptist Church

Presiding: Reverend Fred L. Shuttlesworth, Secretary

9:30 A.M. Worship - Reverend Otis Moss, President, Valley Christian Improvement Association, Cincinnati, Ohio
Welcome - The Honorable Maynard Jackson, Vice Mayor of Atlanta
Orientation - Mrs. Frances Bascom, Convention Coordinator
Mr. Willie Harriford, Acting Director, Martin Luther King, Jr., Library Documentation Project

10:00 A.M. Business Session
Acknowledgements:
Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, President National Council of Churches
Archbishop Helder Camara Pessoa, Olinda-Recife, Brazil
Mrs. Ella Mae Matthews, National Welfare Rights Organization
Mrs. Dorothy Bolden, National Domestic Workers Union

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President's Address -
Dr. Ralph David Abernathy

1:30 Lunch

Afternoon Session

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church

2:00 P.M. Acknowledgements:
Mr. C. B. King, Candidate for
Governor of Georgia,
Mr. J. R. Henderson, President,
Atlanta Urban League
Greetings - Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, President
National Council of Churches
Presentation on the Martin Luther King, Jr.,
Memorial Center, - Martin Luther King, Sr.

2:30 P.M. Workshop: "Southern Political Organizing"
Mr. Hosea Williams, Presiding
Panel: Mr. Cleveland Robinson,
Mr. John Lewis,
Mrs. Septima P. Clark
Reverend Owen Brooks
Reverend Joseph E. Boone,
Dr. George Wiley

5:30 P.M. Dinner

Dr. Ralph David Abernathy spoke on Wednesday, August 12, 1970, at 11:30, and delivered the "president's address". Abernathy stressed the problems faced by all poor people in the United States and criticized lack of concern for these people on the part of the current administration. He referred to President Nixon as a "tyrant". Abernathy declared the government of the United States must be returned to the people, even if this meant "taking over"

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Congress and the Department of Justice. Abernathy did not define his phrase "taking over".

Other scheduled portions of the convention for August 12, 1970, included several workshops on current issues, a visit to the grave of Martin Luther King, Jr., former President, SCLC, and the convention banquet in the evening at the Marriott Motor Hotel, Atlanta.

Source advised shortly after Abernathy began speaking on the morning of August 12, 1970, two Negro males noisily attempted to enter front of church but were removed by ushers. These individuals subsequently entered church and caused appreciable confusion by demanding use of Abernathy's microphone. The microphone was eventually furnished to one of these individuals by Abernathy. The individual identified himself as Tim Hayes of the Georgia Black Liberation Front (BLF) and stated his companion (not identified) was also with BLF. Hayes criticized SCLC for not accomplishing the things (not specified) it should accomplish. He demanded SCLC give $1,000 to BLF. Abernathy took the microphone, addressed Hayes as "my brother". He told Hayes SCLC already has assisted BLF by furnishing money and material assistance. He said BLF has accomplished some good by feeding and assisting needy Negro children. Abernathy accused BLF, however, of "teaching hatred". Order was then restored to the convention meeting and Abernathy continued his address.

Abernathy in his speech claimed that President Nixon was a tyrant and was unfit for the job. He also urged that the U. S. Government not expand the war in Southeast Asia, end police brutality, and provide bread instead of substanties, denounce genocide, provide for the poor, and restore power to the people in a decent society.

He announced that in December a conference would be held in Atlanta, Georgia, concerning draft counseling in black

communities. He stated that the Quakers of the American Friends Committee Society are exempt from the draft as conscientious objectors and urged that the SCLC adopt a resolution filing a petition for conscientious objector status for SCLC workers.

He stated that in early 1971, a Poor People's March would be conducted to Washington, D. C., to sound the alarm for the oppressed Negro. He stated that the marchers will liberate and occupy the Justice Department and Congress and that the fascist domination in the United States must and will fall.

Attached herewith are leaflets distributed by one Tim Hayes of the Georgia Black Liberation Front (BLF):

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FREE KOFI LUKWABA EFUI

African People, The African Soul Brothers who have sponsored a very historical march dating from April 21, 1970 until today, would like to acknowledge publicly the termination of the "Free Brother Kofi Lukwaba Efu" March and thank those Brothers and Sisters who have given their most loyal and devoted support to those Brothers who have pledged their lives in an effort to carry on the Program of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Brother Kofi Lukwaba Efu, born Louis Eason, like Dr. King, was born and received his secondary education here in Atlanta, Georgia. Lukwaba, who is at this very moment in Atlanta but still in danger at the hands of the Racist United States Army in compliance to his loyalty and devotion to Dr. King and his "Call to Conscience", Lukwaba's conscience does not allow him to participate in Militarism of any form. This is the reason for Lukwaba's constant imprisonment by various Racist American Authorities from the Atlanta Police Department to the United States Army.

The African Soul Brothers on April 21, 1970 began a March, faithfully carried out by Brother Pharoah, in an effort to gain support for Lukwaba who is being punished because he along with another African Soul Brother, Kwaku Bregere Ocabaa are answering Dr. King's Call to Conscience and living each day to make His Dream a Reality.

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The dream of Dr. Martin Luther King broke the repressive spirit of oppression. It has been the guiding light to many, young men like Kofi Lukwaba Efu andKwaku Begere Ocabaa and Pharoah Kofo Amen who have taken their stand against racism, militarism and economic exploitation.

If the Dream of Freedom is to be made real, then many more must also take their stand.

This is especially true of the members of SCLC who have inherited the legacy of Dr. King's Dream and if they are willing to take their stand then We are asking that they carry on this phase of the program.

It is the duty of SCLC to make clear to African People of the World, that the program of Dr. King must survive. That Dr. King's Call to Conscience is a call to end the Draft, the first step to make of this "old World, a New World" of Peace.

Also we are calling upon SCLC to call for a Nationwide Black Christmas in honor of Dr. King to support an end to the drafting of Young Africans to fight America's unjust and racist Wars.

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KOJO IS COMING

GEORGIA BLACK LIBERATION FRONT
580 MAGNOLIA ST.

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"WOMAN OF THE BLACK COLONY-NATIVE WOMAN-BLACK SISTERS"

"OUR SISTERS OF THE BLACK COLONY ARE HOLDING BACK THE HUMAN REVOLUTION"

BECAUSE THEY HOLD THEIR PERSONAL INTERESTS "FIRST" AND THE STRUGGLE FOR THEIR NATIONAL LIBERATION "LAST". SISTERS MUST RESOLVE THEIR "PETTIE BOURGEOIES" MENTALITY AND TRY TO HELP LIBERATE THEIR MEN NOW.

AND YOU BLACK SISTERS GOING TO MANY COLLEGES---UNIVERSITIES, THEY ARE TRUELY INSTITUTIONS DESIGNED BY THE RACIST RULING CLASS TO TEACH YOU THE LOWEST FORM OF MISEDUCTION AND ITS REFUSAL TO TEACH YOU THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS RACIST DECADENT AMERICAN SOCIETY.

AND YOU SISTERS WHO GO TO WORK WHICH TURNS YOU INTO A SOCIAL ROBOT AND IN THEM TYPING POOLS AND KEY PUNCH SECTIONS, WITH YOUR $450.00 A MONTH PAY, JUST ENOUGH TO KEEP YOU IN A CONSTANT DEBT PAYING ON THOSE REVOLVING CHARGE ACCONTS, BECAUSE YOU HAD TO KEEP YOUR WARDROBE TOGETHER, SO YOU CAN GO TO WORK LOOKING LIKE THE REST OF THOSE SOCIAL ROBOTS..

THE SISTERS MUST GET HER BROTHERS ON THE CASE. BUT HER PASSIVE SLAVE MENTALITY IS SATISFIED WITH HALF A MAN (A SLAVE THAT IS AWARE OF HIS SLAVERY IS ALREADY HALF FREE AND A SLAVE SHOULDN'T DIE A NATURAL DEATH).
THE BLACK MAN HAS LOST HIS RESPECT FOR HIS BLACK SISTER AND LOVES THE "WHITE BEAST." INSTEAD OF HIS SISTER FIRST, AND HIS SISTER WENT ALONG WITH IT AND BEGAN TO IMITATE THE WHITE BEAST.

"SO SISTERS CHECK IT OUT BEFORE ITS TO LATE"

THE GEORGIA BLACK LIBERATION NEEDS YOUR HELP NOW.

COME TO OUR POLITICAL EDUCATION CLASSES
EVERY-NIGHT AT 8:00 pm.

"ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE" 9

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GEORGIA BLACK LIBERATION FRONT

574 MAGNOLIA STREET

IS TRYING TO MEET THE BASIC NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE.

WE ARE PRESENTLY OPERATING A:

FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM!

BUT THE PROGRAM CANNOT SURVIVE WITHOUT AN EFFORT THAT WE MUST APPLY. THE FIRST STEP IN OUR LIBERATION STRUGGLE STARTS WITH THE COMMUNITY CONTROL OF ALL GOODS IN THE BLACK COLONY AND MEETING THE BASIC NEEDS OF THE COLONIAL SUBJECTS.

WE NEED FOOD AND MONEY

EGGS, BREAD, JUICE, PANCAKE MIX, PAPER PLATES, SYRUP, FRUIT... AND MONEY!

FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM IS LOCATED AT:

WEST HUNTER STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
ANNEX BUILDING, 29 CHESTNUT STREET,

TIME: 7:30 A.M.

SEND DONATIONS TO: J.L. STEPHENS
FINANCE LT.

ASK YOUR POLITICAL CANDIDATES TO SUPPORT THE FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

"ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE"

Black Panther Party Platform and Program

From the People to the People;

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

2. We want full employment for our people.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the CAPITALIST of our Black Community.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in whuch only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determing the will of black people as to their national destiny.

Also speaking at the Wednesday morning session was Dom Helder Camara Pessoa. Attached is biographical information concerning him:

SCLC 13th Annual Convention
Atlanta, Georgia
August 11-14, 1970

Biographical Information

DOM HELDER CAMARA PESSOA

Archbishop of Olinda and Recife, Brazil

Archbishop Helder Camara Pessoa, a special guest and speaker at the 13th Annual Convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, is the strong defender and nonviolent leader of Brazil poor.

He was invited to the convention by Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, SCLC President, after Dr. Abernathy conferred with him last March in Brazil.

"Dom Helder," as the Archbishop is affectionately known, serves in one of the world's most poverty-stricken areas, Northeast Brazil. Great masses of the 1.35 million people in his Archdiocese suffer from starvation, malnutrition, poverty wages, unemployment, infant mortality, and slum housing.

As the leader of the Action, Justice and Peace Movement, a nonviolent campaign for social justice, Dom Helder invited Dr. Abernathy to Brazil in 1969. Because of political turmoil in Brazil, Dr. Abernathy reluctantly postponed the trip at the time, but he finally met the Archbishop in Recife last March. The two issued "The Declaration of Recife," a call for worldwide social justice, peace, and nonviolent protest by all peoples.

Dr. Abernathy's trip to Brazil and the Archbishop's return visit reflect SCLC's increasing interest in problems throughout the world.

Archbishop Camara, 61, was born in 1909 at Ceara, Brazil. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1931, was promoted to Bishop in 1952, and to Archbishop in 1955. Since 1964 he has been Archbishop of Olinda and Recife.

At the SCLC Convention, the Archbishop's first act will be to place a wreath at the tomb of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On his trip to Brazil last March, Dr. Abernathy placed a wreath at the grave of Father Henrique Pereira Neto, a 28-year old special aide to Dom Helder who was assassinated in 1969.

The Archbishop will attend the Wednesday morning SCLC Convention session to hear Dr. Abernathy's presidential address. At the Convention banquet that night, the Archbishop will be a special guest speaker.

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During the afternoon session Hosea Williams, speaker, discussed Southern Political Organizing. He stated that the situation in the south remains today as it was many years ago, that jails continue to be easy to get in and hard to get out. Other speakers were Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, President, National Council of Churches, who pointed out that the black must seek public offices in the south, as an example, John Buffington, West Point, Mississippi, is running for mayor of that city. Also discussed at the evening session was the fact that black lawyers are selling out to the whites and at no time can one obtain a black lawyer in a Civil Rights case. It was pointed out that black attorneys receive much more money from white established law firms than Negro firms.

Annual Banquet

Marriott Motor Hotel
Courtland and Cain Streets
7:00 P.M.

Toastmaster:	Reverend Andrew J. Young, Executive Vice President
Speakers:	Senator George McGovern
	Mr. Dick Gregory
	Archbishop Helder Camara Pessoa
Dance:	Miss Shirley Rushing and Bill Mackey
Song:	Miss Brenda Jones
SCLC Special Award:	
	Presented by Mrs. Coretta Scott King
The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Award:	
	Presented by Dr. Ralph David Abernathy
SCLC Sports Award	

Dick Gregory, Negro male comedian from Chicago, Illinois, did not attend the banquet; however, in his place, Cassius Clay, Negro male, former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, took the place of Gregory.

Thursday, August 13th

8:00 A.M. Breakfast

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

Morning Session

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church

Presiding: Reverend C. K. Steele, First Vice President

9:30 A.M. Worship - Reverend Curtis Harris, Third Vice President

Acknowledgements:

Mr. Claude Holt, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Reverend J. H. Langston President, Atlanta Baptist Ministers Alliance; Mr. Henry Nicholas, Local 1199, Drug and Hospital Workers Union

10:00 A.M. Address - Dr. Joseph E. Lowery, Chairman of the Board

Workshop: "Organizing the Working Poor"
Mr. Carl E. Farris, Presiding
Panel: Miss Mary Moultrie,
Mr. William Genoese,
Mr. J. H. O'Dell

12:30 P.M. Lunch

Afternoon Session
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church

2:00 P.M. Acknowledgements:

Reverend Samuel Williams, President, Atlanta, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
Reverend Austin Ford, Emmaus House

Greetings:

Dr. Oswalt P. Bronson, President Interdenominational Theological Center

Workshop: "Organizing the Northern Ghetto"
Reverend Calvin Morris, Presiding
Panel: Reverend Mrs. Willie Barrow,
Mr. Leon Davis
Mr. Noah Robinson

5:30 P.M. Dinner

Annual Convention Assembly
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
7:00 P.M.

Presiding: Reverend Jesse Jackson
Acknowledgements:
Mrs. Juanita Terry Williams, Candidate for Comptroller General of Georgia
Mr. J. Billy McKinney, Candidate for Fulton County Commissioner
Dr. John Cashin, Candidate for Governor of Alabama

President's Speech:
Dr. Ralph David Abernathy

Speaker: The Honorable Kenneth Gibson, Mayor of Newark, New Jersey

Introduction: Mr. Cleveland Robinson, President, National Council of Distributive Workers

Speaker: Mr. Leonard Woodcock, President, United Automobile Workers of America

Music Indianapolis SCLC Operation Breadbasket Choir

Affiliate-of-the-Year-Award - Presented by Reverend T. Y. Rogers, Jr.

The Rosa Parks Freedom Award:
Presented by Reverend Wyatt Tee Walker, Second Vice President

Friday, August 14th

8:00 A.M. Breakfast

Morning Session
Mt. Moriah Baptist Church

Presiding: Dr. D. E. King, Fourth Vice President

9:30 A.M. Worship - Reverend Nelson Smith, Board Member

Acknowledgements:
Bishop Randolph P. Shy, Christian Methodist Episcopal Church of Georgia
Bishop Ernest Hickman, African Methodist Episcopal Church of Georgia
Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan, Roman Catholic Church of Atlanta
Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild

Greetings:
Reverend Harcourt Klinefelter, Atlanta Street Minister

10:00 A.M. Business Session

11:00 A.M. Annual Conference Sermon - Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., Board Member

12:30 P.M. Lunch

2:00 P.M. Film Festival, "I am Somebody".

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Source stated that a great deal of emphasis was placed on a State-Wide Black Leadership Coalition and attached herewith is a list of candidates for public offices in the State of Georgia:

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VOLUNTEER TO WORK !!!

STATE-WIDE BLACK LEADERSHIP COALITION

HOSEA L. WILLIAMS - Organizer
243 Auburn Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Phone: 577-9797

"A CHANCE FOR YOU TO DO SOME GOOD"

We Need You Now!!!

MAKE AMERICA A LIVING DEMOCRACY-----

Redeem the Soul of America!!

I'M WITH YOU

Juanita T. Williams for Comptroller General

C. B. King for Governor

D. F. Glover for Lieutenant Governor

Name (last name first) _____ Home Address _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Business Address _____

Business phone _____ Occupation or Field of Study _____

Are you registered to vote in Georgia? Yes____ No ____

Social Fraternity? _____ Professional Society? _____ Civic Society? _____

PLEASE CHECK AVAILABILITY:

1. Weekends ____
2. Evenings ____
3. 1 or 2 hrs. daily ____
4. 1 day a week ____
5. Mornings ____
6. Every Saturday ____
7. Every Sunday ____
8. Nights (6:00 - 10:00 PM) ____

I VOLUNTEER FOR:

1. Typing ____
2. Filing ____
3. Steno ____
4. The office ____
5. Telephoning ____
6. Accounting ____
7. Art design ____
8. Photography ____
9. News Reporting ____
10. Meeting people ____
11. Fund Raising ____
12. Research ____
13. Transportation ____
14. Door to door Canvassing ____
15. Community Organization ____
16. Selling ____
17. Singing ____
18. Creative Writing ____

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PLEASE MAIL OR BRING IN PERSON COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Volunteers for SWLC
243 Auburn Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Phone: 577-9797

Juanita T. Williams, candidate for Comptroller General, is the wife of Hosea L. Williams, official in the SCLC.

Also distributed was a twenty-three page booklet entitled "Proposed 1970 Summer Community Organization and Political Education Program to Cover the Period June 15, 1970, through September 15, 1970", issued by the SCLC President, Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, which reads as follows:

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CHRISTIAN

LEADERSHIP

CONFERENCE

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DR. RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY
President

DEPARTMENT OF VOTER REGISTRATION

AND POLITICAL EDUCATION

PROPOSED 1970 SUMMER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

AND POLITICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM TO COVER THE PERIOD

June 15, 1970.....Sept. 15, 1970

HOSEA L. WILLIAMS
Director

TERRIE RANDOLPH
Secretary

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I. MOTIVATION

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"The real issue for Black and poor people in America today is one of REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. Until we change the ratio of those responsible for making decisions, our sacrificial living will continue to be like sounding brass and tinkling cymbals signifying nothing, producing no real, significant, meaningful social change."

..... Hosea L. Williams

This program is mainly motivated by four things. First, Governor George Wallace's attempt to carry enough Southern states during the last presidential election to prevent any candidate from gaining enough electoral votes to be declared the winner. Therefore, Wallace would have been able to name the President and bargain away the rights of Black people just like they did with Rutherford B. Hayes. Secondly, President Nixon's Southern strategy, whereby the Republicans intend to guarantee themselves victory in the next presidential election without having to grant any rights to Black and poor people. Thirdly, SCLC'S "NEW THRUST IN POLITICS" Program, whereby representative government will become a living reality and political power will be taken back from politicians and replaced into the hands of the people. Fourth, evidence that history is trying to repeat itself, in that the racist whites are migrating into the Republican

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Party and trying to drive all of the non-whites into the Democratic Party due to party loyalty; the Democrats are following the Republican strategy where Blacks are not registering in large numbers and voting in the Democratic Primary. This would result in the disenfranchisement of Black people merely from a numerical standpoint.

There comes a time in the life of men when the contingencies which have previously limited their existence must be defied; when men must grasp control of their lives from the hands of others and stand tall and strong as masters of their own destinies. That time has come for the Black and poor white man. It is symbolized in the election of a Black Vice-Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia; a Black man to the Alabama State Legislature; Black men to the state legislature of South Carolina; a Black Mayor in Newark, New Jersey; and the defeat of many old-line segregationists throughout this nation.

Representative democracy is only possible when the views of all the people are forthrightly represented and balanced in the final equation of politcal power which is evident by meaningful social change. For any group to remain silent and trust that they will be represented as a result of a gentlemen's agreement and backroom compromises is patently naive. Men do not keep such private commitments to their wives and children, or even to themselves. How, therefore, can we expect them to honor private agreements to persons widely separated by racial and/or class differences. The experiences of the past with Presidents Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson,

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as well as our regional experiences with Carl Sanders as Governor, James Bentley as Comptroller General and Herman Talmadc as Senator, attest to the fact that politicians will not move until there is a public climate which demands that they move and an aware constituency that will respond to their moves.

The real issue for Black and poor people in America today is one of REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. The government of this nation is not representative of all its constituents. For instance, there are more than 70 counties across the Southland with 50% or more Black potential voters. There should be at least 1,695 Black elected officials in these counties in order to have anything like representative government. Instead, there are only slightly more than 360 Black elected officials across the entire South, with most of those officials being elected from urban areas like Atlanta, Augusta, and Savannah, Georgia; Charleston, South Carolina, and so forth.

Additionally, many of these Black office-holders enjoy only token participation in the forces that control the decision making. In Georgia, 40 Black men and women hold elective offices. Yet, Georgia politics is still basically irrelevant and insensitive to the needs, hopes and aspirations of Black and poor people.

This lack of meaningful participation in the process of government creates additional penalties that befall the Black and poor. Throughout the State of Georgia, State Troopers make decisions daily that affect the

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lives of Black and poor people. Yet, there are no Black State Troopers. Each year the Legislation of the State of Georgia appropriates untold millions of dollars of the people's money. Yet, Blacks are not allowed to participate in the decision-making process that controls the disbursements of their own tax dollars.

Positively, the mayoralty election in Atlanta would hardly have resulted in so promising an administration had not the candidacy of Horace Tate excited the imagination of Black voters to the extent that they voted in percentages which overwhelmed white voters. We know that Atlanta would have a Black Mayor today had Black voters stuck together. Although a split in the Black vote produced Atlanta's most hopeful governmental body in 100 years, the moderate campaign of Maynard Jackson alone could not have accomplished the same results. And, even if the Mayor and the Vice-Mayor had been victorious, there would hardly have been enough of a landslide to elect so many persons to the Board of Aldermen, Board of Education and the positions of authority which we have assumed with those bodies.

President Nixon has ably and amply shown that little can be expected from his Administration in the next two years. His welfare program and hunger program designed to "put an end to hunger in America itself for all time" will actually leave 80% of the current welfare recipients worse off than they are today if the program is instrumented as planned.

This situation places an obligation on the Black community to concern itself with radical change in local government. The next two years

should be spent laying the groundwork at the local level so that when the opportunity opens up we will have the power to change the Congress.

For the first time in many decades, the South seems to be moving to a prevalent position in electing the President of the United States. The Nixon Administration won by a very small margin, with little help from Black voters. Had the Democratic Party been able to carry a little more than the five states carried by George Wallace, Mr. Humphrey would be President today. This situation has set up a very dangerous political dichotomy between Black voters and the major parties of American politics.

The Nixon Administration has operated in a manner to appease and court the conservative voters in the five states carried by Wallace rather than the millions of Black voters in America. Due to the lack of political finesse in the Black community, the Democratic Party is being forced to compete with the Nixon Administration for the conservative voters of the Wallace states.

The success of the Wallace Party has thrown the poor in direct conflict with their oppressors. The Wallace Party is making a definite attempt to come into political control of every courthouse and city hall in the Blackbelt of the Southland during the 1970 elections. Additionally, Wallace is himself a definite, if unannounced, candidate for the Presidency in 1972. Such a position of influence is essential to Wallace for him to continue to demand a portion of the national stage.

Thus, the Black and the poor are in the locked jaws of forces

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dedicated to their extinction or continued servility. The key to America's Black future is representative government.

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II. BACKGROUND

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and indeed all movement organizations, has in the past and is currently, largely depending upon the impetus withdrawn from direct action campaigns for its influence on the course of events. In the 1950's and 1960's, these campaigns garnered great advances for the Black and the poor. These campaigns made it possible for Black people to eat where they liked, travel where and how they wanted to and enjoy life just as any other American citizen, theoretically.

Unfortunately, the opposite is the cornerstone of today's truth. Integration in housing is virtually non-existent. In many localities, Blacks do not yet enjoy the prerogative of being able to vote. Poverty and starvation still walk in bold strides across our land. The voices of millions of Americans

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do not enjoy outlets within many of our governing bodies. In short, Black people and poor people do not yet enjoy a reasonable piece of the action.

Direct action campaigns should not be faulted, however; they did lay the invaluable groundwork for establishing legally the right of all to equal opportunity. But as yet, they have been unable to insure to all the reality and/or actuality of equal opportunity.

Why is this true? There are two reasons why poor Americans today continue to suffer from the ravages of poverty. First, they do not control any aspect of governmental affairs. Second, as a result, they are unable to enjoy the fruits of private enterprise.

What role should we of SCLC take in the years ahead? Should we continue to rely solely on Montgomerys, Birminghams, Selmas, Savannahs, Poor People's Campaigns, Charlestons and Green Countys? Should we continue to march in the streets of America being beaten and jailed without adequate legal aid? Should we continue to allow our staff to be run down by trucks in Mississippi and enjoy no redress in the courts?

Perhaps these campaigns and others that we currently are contemplating may have temporary value at the moment, but will they have long-range, permanent, productive effects for all people of this nation?

The direct action campaign was and still is to a lesser degree, a tool to educate the world to the inadequacies of our current system of government. It was valuable to show the people of the earth that Black and poor people were treated as second-class citizens in the land of equality. But, now

that this has been fairly taught to the people of the earth, Blacks find themsevles in virtually the same position they were in following Reconstruction. They live in a free country, but they are not free.

Blacks must re-direct their efforts to secure for themselves rights which have for so long been denied them. This will only come when Blacks have control of their proportionate share of the governmental wealth and power of this nation. This will only come when Blacks as a race can influence the direction of national politics proportionately. This will only come when white men respect Black men, mainly because Black men respect themselves.

How can Blacks bring about this self-respect in the Black community? How can Blacks urge one another to pick themselves up by their own bootstraps? How can Blacks urge one another to take for themselves that which has been due them for so long? The white man in America has a heritage built up for hundreds of years of conquering, achieving, succeeding and reaping the rewards of labor and power. The Black man in America knows nothing but a history of paltry successes and monumental failures; a history of broken homes; a history of subservience; a history of dependence on the vagaries of a system of welfare and handouts that sap the spirit and destroy initiative. America has all but proven she does not have the integrity, wisdom nor the strength to free Black people.

Today, in order to meet realistically with the growing pride among the Black community in their racial heritage, it will be essential to instrument substantial successes in all areas of life, not among the least

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of which is the attainment of representative government. This will be essential to the orderly change of direction within our government.

Black leaders in this struggle for human rights, must not make the errors that brought chaos to France, violence to the American Revolution and slaughter in the War Between the States. Blacks must not allow themselves to dangle promise before our people and then be guilty of being unable to provide fulfillment.

But what avenue should Blacks take in order to insure that America truly becomes a land of equality? Only positive, political action, economic development and development of one's self-respect can seriously be considered as avenues of practical advancement. The climate of the times has largely turned off the old methods, yet it is true that direct action, employed sparingly, can be effective as an educational tool from time to time. Therefore, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the only group capable of working effectively for social change in today's world, must seek to bring power to the people as we have never done before.

Our program of change will encompass seven Southern states, but will concentrate in 50 counties within these seven states. SCLC feels that it is essential to work on a broad scale in order to bolster the spirits of Black people throughout the region in which Blacks are concerned. Citizens of Alabama can hardly be expected to find much cheer in victories in Mississippi, and people in Virginia cannot be expected to enjoy the successes of South Carolinians.

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In order that SCLC might truly create a steamroller of political power in this nation, SCLC must bring the immediacy of success home to people throughout the most suppressed regions of America.

From the Southland came the impetus for the great civil rights movement. From the Southland must come the continuing impetus for a truly radical change in the direction within our national policies and programs.

Through such a program of widespread efforts we might reasonably begin to expect a true re-direction of funds and priorities for all of the people, rather than for the monied few.

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I. PROCEDURES

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As we have seen in the past, the Black and poor people in many counties throughout the South have begun to utilize to varying degrees the rights that were won by the movement in the last two decades. In many communities, there has been an awakening of public concern and an institution of indigenous direct action and community relations efforts.

In many of the localities where this has occurred, the populace seems to be partially satisfied with the gains they have achieved, for they have never known anything better. In other cases, the people still have a strong thirst for further acquisition. The primary impetus for this further thirst comes most often from the young, who were conceived and delivered in an era in which they have heard nothing but promises.

Any activities of a political nature must include in a very responsible manner the participation of the young. For to rely totally on local leadership from those who are over the hill will be to tune out the young. They can hardly be expected to feel much more strongly for older Black leaders than they can for older white leaders. Indeed, the problem is the same when getting poor whites to vote and bringing them into power.

As to the specific programs which we should bring into our target counties in this period prior to November, 1970, elections, Blacks feel that they will have little appeal unless they are strongly relevant to the individual community needs.

Teaching courses in citizenship education is a fine thing to do. All Blacks need such enlightenment. However, just as Blacks must make

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victory in the political arena an experience of immediacy for all by bringing it into every state in the Southland, Blacks must make every county effort concern itself with the problems of direct relevancy to that particular county.

The eight main aspects of "SCLC'S NEW THRUST IN POLITICS," political program will be community organization; Black culture; land reform; economic development; equal administration of justice; localized public school control; citizenship education for all ages; and voter registration.

Ten years ago, one of the main problems of the Black community was the lack of organization. Today, it is just the reverse--too many organizations. Organizational loyalty is killing the Black thrust because it is dividing Black leadership many ways. It would be detrimental to try to eliminate any of the existing organizations, but coordinating the efforts of all existing organizations may be the salvation of the Black thrust for freedom. Due to the necessity of dealing with political issues that are truly relative to the Black community, coalitions must be brought together on an area basis, like Southwide, state, district, county and city. Coalitions must be representative, and therefore, the development of large effective youth and women divisions are very necessary.

It goes without saying, "There is no economic power for Black folk; there is no political power for Black folk; there is no power for Black folk, until they first gain the power of self-respect, the power of self-reliance. Therefore, self awareness clinics will be organized. These clinics would meet

regularly and deal with cultural issues and their relationship to politics.

In each and every target county, there is land that lies fallow because there are no concentrations of wealth and manpower to make effective use of the land. Also, in each of these counties, there are many individuals who would be able to contribute valuable skills necessary to till the soil, but have no conception of how best to market their products.

SCLC should garner the necessary skills and investment capital to promote cooperative efforts in farming that will make effective use of available manpower and acreage. SWAFCA has been successful in this effort, and there is no reason why we should not be able to produce equally dramatic results.

In the areas of economic development, we are truly at the threshhold of opportunities to make meaningful re-structuring of the economic cycle a reality. At present, American enterprise is founded on a system whereby the labors of the many bear fruit for the few. Yet, many groups have seen that the continuance of such a system will be ultimately destructive and contrary to the best interest of the nation. Presbyterians have pledged themselves to the disbursement of $5,000,000.00 for Black economic development. The large foundations are seeing the need to place a portion of their capital in the pockets of Black entrepreneurs. Even the Federal Government has shown a disposition, however weak, to encourage Black enterprise through the Small Business Administration.

What needs to be established with the available investment capital, however, is not an industry or enterprise that cavorts itself in the usual manner

by leeching off of the poor for the benefit of the rich, but one that shares all with everyone.

Not only should economic development sponsored by SCLC provide employment for individuals not otherwise employed or employable, but such economic development entities should be owned through stock by individuals with as little purchasing power as welfare recipients and old-age pensioners.

In a word, just as representative government is of paramount necessity in this nation, likewise representative ownership must be a goal which is just as avidly pursued.

Equal justice under the law is for too many American citizens a farce. There can be no toleration of a system which punishes one because of his color and allows another freedom that is ill-deserved. There can be no toleration of a system that dispenses special favors to one due to his economic standing and denies it to another simply because he is clutched in the jaw of penury.

In each of our target counties, we should make efforts to create through existing community action groups a system of police review. Such a group should have as its purpose the examination of all relevant police activity. It should make itself known to the community leaders and include such leaders in its regular meetings. The review board should be committed to undertaking direct action campaigns in its community at any time that it feels itself to be justified in such an endeavor.

The public schools in the South have for hundreds of years existed to push the concept of white supremacy. This is destructive for white children as well as Blacks. Black children are reared up knowing that they are inferior to whites biologically as well as mentally. "A Black man makes a good work animal but he certainly cannot be expected to be effective as an intellectual."

The white child is taught that society's rewards will come to him if he goes on to college, and her certainly will not have to stoop to manual labor to reap the rewards of life.

The results of this situation is that a society of subservient Blacks, and whites who are promised success but can realize only desperation, is created.

But even those whites who realize only desperation inevitably cling to that which is most precious to them. That most precious concept is the "scrotum politics" upon which the Jim Crow establishment is built.

Meaningful integration in our society will never come until whites are able to look upon Blacks as their equals. This will never happen until Blacks themselves know that they have value.

In the schools in Alabama and other Southern States, Black history is taught. We hear of such men as Booker T. Washington and George Washington Carver--two men who preached that accomplishment for Blacks would come from manual labor and not from political participation. In those same schools, nothing is heard of W.E.B. De Bois, the man who urged at the

same time as Washington and Carver the Blacks must insist upon representative government. These conditions must be changed prior to any lasting development of racial equality.

In each target community we must form groups of parents, teachers, community leaders and interested citizens to form a Board of Trustees for each school with Black students. This Board of Trustees should establish standing committees to deal with problems of school finances, materials, and facilities, curriculum, personnel and administration. The group and its committees should continually review school policies and practices to insure that the schools are doing whatever is necessary and possible to provide an unbiased and relevant education for all students.

It should also be committed to undertaking direct action as would be the case with the police review board. Unless a segment of the community is willing to commit itself to action, the vested powers in the community will hardly be induced to transform policies and practices to the satisfaction of the people.

The citizenship education programs instituted in this county should provide both old and young alike with the knowledge of their respective communities and government in general that will enable them to make qualified judgments of prospective candidates.

The program should include visits from guest speakers from across the United States, local leaders, SCLC staff guidance, and home study.

These classes should be part of an integral network of programs such as those previously mentioned in order that they might work cohesively to engender maximum community spirit.

With the aforementioned eight steps there should be a coupling of an active political action campaign to insure that in 1970 Black and poor communities are in sufficient strength to enforce their wishes.

One of the first objectives will be to insure political awareness in the Black and poor communities. Then, wherever needed, mobilization and organization will be the next step. At this point, SCLC's "New Thrust in Politics" is geared to implement a program hopefully resulting in the Black and poor equally participating in the mainstream of American politics. A sequential program of community organization, voter registration, political education get-out-the-vote campaign, training and supervising election day workers will be implemented after SCLC's workers organize the county, district, state and south-wide coalitions, placing special emphasis on the development of large, effective women and youth divisions. Hopefully, the "New Thrust in Politics" program will become attractive to old as well as young, white as well as Black. Although Blacks are the nation's most impoverished, most of the needed funds must come from their community. Generally, the women have been the backbone of the movement. With fund raising being one of the roughest jobs, the women's division will largely be organized for that purpose.

Political apathy in the Black community has largely been due to the lack of information which was brought about by denying Blacks the right to

participate in the mainstream of American politics. Therefore, SCLC will establish area-wide political information centers. These centers will offer local political organizations and candidates needed research; they will compile political information for public use; political science majors will organize and train local persons to carry out extensive political education classes. These centers will afford journalists who will have the responsibility of organizing news media and allow for communication of that which is relative to the masses of Black people, concentrating in organizing locally-owned, non-profit newspapers. The centers will also offer training for producing and distributing printed material. Through extensive use of these materials it is hoped that the highlighting of issues relative to the local community can be maximized.

It is hoped that the effecitve instrumentation of land freform, police review boards, school boards of trustees, economic development, citizenship education and political action will engender the proper atmosphere to insure that Black and poor citizens will not only register but will also vote.

SCLC has outlined a proposal of broad scope. It encompasses seven states, five U.S. Congressional Districts and fifty counties. It will take a monumental effort on the part of the entire organization of SCLC in order for it to be effective.

The program embraces the greatest principles and goals of the Poor People's Campaign which was instituted by our fallen leader. Dr. King did not conceive of radically changing the face of this nation by the sole use of political action or the sole use of direct action.

Rather, he knew that we would be foolish to dedicate ourselves to one at the expense of the other. Here in this proposal we have embodied the essence of all factions of SCLC's involvement in the struggle for human dignity. We attempt to bring dignity and affluence and equality to all men.

Surely, this program is one of great importance to the people of this world. It is the key to the evolvement of man from the frightened savage living in darknessto the gentle purveyor of kindness.

Briefly, I have herein alluded to the scope of this proposed political action program,encompassing as stated above, seven states, five U.S. Congressional Districts and fifty counties. These states have been chosen due to their white power structure's long-standing history of inaction in the field of human rights and welfare. These are the original states of the Deep South that fought so bitterly in the last century to prolong slavery, and continue today to support programs that are insensitive to the plight of the Black and the poor.

Additionally, these are the states which the Nixon Acministration is courting in its efforts to form a conservative coalition of Republicans and Wallace States Righters. As we have seen, the Nixon Administration is playing with the Middle Class revolt in an effort to slow the pace of reform and redirection in federal policies. It is hoped that by attacking Nixon's voter support at its most determined core, we might turn the conservative tide in 1970 and thereby, make it possible for right-thinking Democrats to be elected in 1972 to the Presidency.

The states that have been chosen are Mississippi, Alabama,

Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia.

In each of these states, there are several organizations working in the field of political action. None on a total state-wide level, but many covering large areas of their state. The efforts of these various organizations could be enhanced many times if SCLC would take the responsibility of coordinating these efforts.

A mail-order voter registration and political organization program should be carried on in every county of each state. This would be done by writing the leaders of the various organizations in every county monthly, requesting that certain things in the line of political action be done. A report form with a self-addressed, stamped envelope would be included. All of the county leaders would come together, fill out this progress report and return it to the state-wide political information center. A state-wide WATS line would be installed in each state-wide center. Each leader would receive a long distance call once a week to find out what he is doing, when he is having a meeting, when is the next registration day, and what help does he need. This alone will keep something going on in each county.

Each county would receive at least one visit in person from SCLC's two field workers. The county would have been worked up by letter and the WATS line before the two field workers arrive. The two workers will first meet in a noon luncheon with the local leaders. Later in the afternoon, the two field workers would meet with the local youth leaders and organizers.

Later, a similar meeting would take place with the women leaders and organizers. About 8:00 P.M. the field workers would address a county-wide mass meeting. The two field workers will fill out a report form on each county as soon as the county visit is completed. The state-wide political information director would receive the repcts and respond immediately.

The five U.S. Congressional Districts are the 2nd and 5th in Georgia; the 5th in Alabama; the 6th in South Carolina; and the 10th in North Carolina. There are very good chances to elect Black Congressmen from these districts in 1970. But, if we miss in 1970, their election would be assured in 1972. Coordinating the efforts being made in each of these districts is very important. These districts need active district-wide Political Information Centers to do the same coordinating as the state's centers.

The fifty counties were chosen by states as follows: Mississippi, six; Alabama---13; Georgia---17; Florida---2; Virginia---2; North Carolina---3; and South Carolina---7.

An experienced SCLC staff member would be assigned to a certain number of counties. A certain number of summer volunteers will be assigned in each county. Four local persons would be hired full-time at $35.00 per week from SCLC and $15.00 per week from the local community. The entire program above will be instituted throughout each county immediately. Until the deadline, registration would be the main program. Then, we would move into the other programs, concentrating on political education.

In each of these states there are counties that have a Black majority of eligible voters, but little or no Black and poor representation.

There are also other factors to be considered in choosing these states and counties as bases of political reform. The emergence of the Loyalist Wallace Democrats and Republicans has left the South with nothing but a shadow Democratic Party. Top Democrats from the Senate to the various Governor offices have shown a tendency to continue support Wallace and/or Republicans at the expense of the national party. This has given birth to the rise of loyalist national Democrats who espouse the formation of local state parties with direct ties to the national machine. In many cases, the Blacks registered out-number whites registered, but the Blacks haven't been able to vote together. Such is the case in Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia and Florida. These parties have strong support on the national level, but also enjoy a decided amount of resistence. It is felt that these human rights parties will stand a better chance of overthrowing the entrenched conservatism of old machines only when they make a strong showing within their homes states. This has just been done with SCLC's aid in Greene County, Alabama. But no, Greene County will not be enough to do the job. There need to be at least 69 more Green Counties. for there are 70 counties in all in which the Blacks and poor have the opportunity to gain total local control.

Wallace has been successful in his efforts; he will once again use the governor's office as a platform from which to launch a dnagerous effort to accede to the Presidency or at least control the naming of the next President.

Such a course will be at the least, a strongly detrimental move for the image of the people in his state.

If we could succeed in showing in 1972 that a great number of American citizens are fed up with the Wallaces, we might contribute to an effort on the part of the two national parties to court Black and poor voters more seriously.

The most beneficial aspect of our success would be something far more meaningful than this, however; We might begin to bring the Black man further from his feelings of inadequacy to a growing awareness of his true worth and ability.

Source also furnished a confidential memorandum dated May 7, 1970, entitled "The Need For A Black Coalition: A Rationale", which reads as follows: ([redacted])

May 7, 1970
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THE NEED FOR A BLACK COALITION:

A RATIONALE

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INTRODUCTION

This paper is dedicated to the proposition that Black Georgians are waking up from their political slumber, and they would mobilize and close ranks in order to be partners of representative government and political power; and that, the agency of change is through a Black Coalition which transcends Black parochial and social political leadership.

To offer a rationale for the Black Coalition--first, the idea behind the movement will be explained; second, we will take a peep into conventional Black politics; third, an overview of structural/organizational and strategic patterns will be suggested; and lastly, in the summary and conclusion we will present some generalizations based on the foregoing rationale.

The idea of a Black Coalition was first enunciated at a bipartisan, political meeting held as the first state-wide convention at the Macon City Auditorium under the auspicies of the Georgia Voter's League, on November 29, 1969, at which C. B. King was drafted as Georgia's first Black gubernatorial candidate.

PLANTATION POLITICS

Outlining the aims and objectives of the Coalition movement, Mr. Hosea L. Williams--one of the leading spokesmen--said, "We are here to encourage Black leaders in organizations throughout the State to eliminate intra-group rivalries further dividing the Black community and unite in a coalition and confederation in an attempt to implement this Convention's theme--UNITY IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY; launch Georgia's most effective voter registration and political education program; initiate a grass-root economic development program; organize Georgia's thousands of idle, Black youth into a viable political action program; and offer a

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forum for educators, civil rights leaders and lawyers to formulate plans to protect the stability of Black schools and the security of Black teachers."

From above, the basis of the Coalition has been laid; that is; to be built around a united Black, politically-orientated pressure group fulfilling the needs of Black people. Why? Because the traditional two-party system has failed completely to respond to the needs of Black and poor people.

In addition to the 400,000 registered Black voters, there are some 250,000 more Blacks to be registered (we anticipate the support of about 150,000 white liberal voters). Thus, the Coalition can bring about Black unity and can either win forthright the gubernatorial election, or can be a strong third in influencing the outcome of the gubernatorial election. The net result of this would be a decisive impact on Georgia politics.

What has been the convention approach of Black politics in Georgia is aptly summed up by Rev. Andrew Young as "Plantation Politics--a situation in which Blacks have to be content with the lesser of two white evils."

To be sure, the whites have successfully prevented and later on contained Black political participation, principally by legal and extra-legal means for generations. The 1964 Civil Rights Act which empowered Black voting participation was almost "thrust" on them. Thus, unprepared and with no appreciable sense of the efficacy of political power, the Blacks have not yet creatively utilized their voting strength in any meaningful sense of the term.

Thus, a state-wide Black coalition, consisting of Black leaders in all kinds of activities--labor, church, students, fraternal, economic, social and even ideological lines, would be the only avenue through which we can unite Blacks and more significantly exploit the untapped reservoir of Black voting power.

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ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE [redacted]

The Coalition would be led by a Steering Committee purposely to eliminate the possibility of individual aggrandizement,* and to prevent internal bickering. [redacted]

The State-wide Black Coalition should serve as a parent body for the county Steering Committee consisting of elected representatives from each county along with members-at-large. Some of the Coalition's functions would be specifically: support the C.B. King for Governor Campaign; unifying the Black communities in all phases of the 1970 elections; and organize voter registration, political education and get-out-the-vote campaigns. [redacted]

Especially a separate Steering Committee should be set up for the C. B. King Campaign and any other Black candidate running for a state-wide and/or national office and the Black Coalition, which may or may not be consisted of the same members. Since many foundations and groups will not donate money for individual candidates, but may contribute money for voter registration, political education and get-out the vote campaigns, it is necessary that separate committees be set up in each county defacto-wise, even though most functions will overlap. [redacted]

A parallel case of the Coalition can be found in the white communities. There are over 20,000 different kinds of interest and pressure groups in the country, each one committed to a different kind of program. However, since each group cannot politically articulate its interests, these groups ultimately narrow their interests and have condensed into two main political parties. [redacted]

Thus, the two-party systems which have traditionally catered to the interest of white, middle-class Americans can be made to take into cognizance the real power of a new sort of pressure group--the Black Coalition. [redacted]

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* Almost invariably this has been a sensitive and vulnerable spot for Black leaders. The white press has constantly exploited this situation by pitting one leader against the other; thus, having succeeded in undermining Black leadership and creating factions within the Black movements. [redacted]

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As it was pointed out earlier, it would be naive for anyone to assume that Black people would become politically conscious automatically, bearing in mind their centuries of oppression and suppression and the denial of basic civic responsibilities. On a broader context, political behaviorists have indicated a lower-level political participation among people of lower socio-economic classes. In this case, this generalization can also apply to the poor whites as well as Blacks. The catalyst of change would, therefore, come from a massive, responsible and creative leadership within the Black community--i.e., the Black Coalition [redacted]

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION [redacted]

In conclusion, the following generalizations may be offered to the foregoing rationale. [redacted]

Owing to centuries of denial of basic civil rights, Black people are forced to either rely mostly on white humanitarianism and considerations for their basic elementary rights, or have sought governmental assistance in order to gain their minimal social, economic and political rights. Whereas the whites, in addition to their two-party system, have auxilliary groups for the purpose of educating their membership and often to take positions on policy issues. The net result of this condition has been a tremendous imbalance of power (political) existing between the Black and white communities. [redacted]

To counter this imbalance there should be a Black Coalition with the expertise, personnel and resources to mobilize and unify the Black community in order to reallocate for them their due share of political and decision-making processes in the nation, state, city and county. Thus, the Coalition could be a viable agency in helping to integrate some aspect of political life and help to build a consensus. [redacted]

As a group, the Black Coalition can concentrate their resources, also, on influencing the program espoused by the major parties and their candidates, leaders and officeholders. Too, as a pressure group, the Coalition would not be a duplicate campaign machine to the two-party system, for the group can screen and present candidates of high calibre and dedicated to the needs and aspira-

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tions of Blacks and poor whites; furthermore, can provide man-power for getting voters registered and getting out the vote.

As stated before, the non-partisan aspect of the group should be impressed so as to attract liberals, poor whites and independent voters. Thus, a pressure group/candidate's relationship, rather than a pressure/party relationship would be created for those who are not interested in the party ticket.

Finally, in the words of C. B. King, the Black Coalition is "new politics addressing itself to the needs of Black and white." The Black Coalition is a viable alternative to survival politics; it's the only way in achieving a representative and responsible government."

It would enable Blacks to be participants in power or "partners in government."

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STATION WAGON	3,500.00
MOVIE PROJECTOR - 16MM (2)	700.00
MOVIE PROJECTOR - 8MM	135.00
SLIDE PROJECTOR (2)	180.00
DISSOLVE CONTROL UNIT	200.00
VIDEO TAPE EQUIPMENT	3,000.00
DRY MOUNTING PRESS	200.00
PORTABLE MOVIE SCREEN	70.00
PHONOGRAPH TURNTABLE	100.00
PORTABLE LECTERN	400.00
MATCHED SPEAKERS (2)	90.00
AMPLIFIER	200.00
AM/FM STEREO TUNER	100.00
CAMERA - 35MM PENTAX AND ATTACHMENTS	450.00
CAMERA - 2-1/4 x 3-1/4 CENTURY GRAFLEX	300.00
COPY CAMERA	2,000.00
PUNCH CARDS AND EQUIPMENT	1,500.00

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
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Voluminous material that was observed by source at the SCLC Conference August 11 - 14, 1970:

I. Three booklets from the Institute of the Black World, Atlanta, Georgia.

II. Pamphlet entitled "SCLC People's Government".

III. "SCLC - the Watchword is Organize".

IV. Pamphlet entitled "This is SCLC".

V. Pamphlet entitled "Ralph David Abernathy, A Man of the People".

VI. Booklet entitled "The Challenge of Blackness" by Lenore Bennett, Jr.

VII. The Indianapolis plan for Equal Employment, Incorporated

VIII. Four page newspaper entitled "Soul Bag" concerning Indiana Political Solidarity, Part II.

IX. Four page newspaper entitled "The Crusader Crusades Against Hunger", published in New York, New York.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

FROM : G. C. Moore

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

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1 - Mr. J. H. Gale
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This is to advise you of another scurrilous attack on the Director and the FBI by the SCLC, and to recommend a mass media item for approval.

At its Annual Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, 8/11 - 14/70, the SCLC adopted a resolution attacking the Director and the FBI for "their attacks on Martin Luther King, Jr. and their failure to meet their responsibilities such as protecting civil rights, stopping narcotics traffic and other organized crime." Senator George McGovern (Democrat - South Dakota) also alluded to the "venal attack" on King in his address at the convention.

This two-faced attack is the rankest hypocrisy. The resolution was occasioned by an article in Time magazine which accused the Director, during his meeting with King on 12/1/64, of pressuring King to tone down his attacks against the FBI with tapes of King's immoral conduct. This article was false and King's three SCLC associates who accompanied him on 12/1/64 (including Ralph Abernathy, current President of SCLC) all denied that the Director even mentioned King's immoral conduct. Now they turn around and allow a resolution to be passed which in effect accuses the Director of the same thing that they have already branded as a lie in the Time article.

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OBSERVATIONS:

The history of this group indicates the deceitful accusations will continue. After expressing confidence in the Director and the FBI in civil rights cases and offering cooperation during the 12/1/64 meeting, King and this gang left the Director's office and immediately initiated an

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underhanded spurious campaign to malign the Director and the Bureau. Recently Jesse Jackson, a SCLC national official, in utter disregard for denials by three of his associates that it occurred launched a personal attack on the Director for threatening King with tapes about his conduct.

We have considered a strong letter to the SCLC on their false charges but feel a letter writing exchange would be useless with this group which would not recognize the truth if they saw it. The public record is clear now from their own mouths as to the 12/1/64 meeting. If they want to look bad by issuing contradictory statements it only shows them to be the hypocrites they are and leaves the public with a clear picture of its deceit. It is no wonder they are having financial difficulty, which recently lead to the widow of King's being embarrassed by being picketed by her own people.

ACTION:

If approved, Crime Records Division will furnish the attached to an appropriate mass media source.

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THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE'S
ATTACK ON J. EDGAR HOOVER

Its most recent attack on Director J. Edgar Hoover and the FBI certainly does not depict the Southern Christian Leadership Conference as a responsible organization, a picture which the organization needs to overcome its reported financial dilemma. The latest attack was based on an article in Time magazine alleging that Mr. Hoover confronted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with tapes about his immoral conduct and pressured Dr. King into toning down his criticisms of Mr. Hoover and the FBI. Three of King's associates who accompanied Dr. King during his meeting with Mr. Hoover promptly denied that Mr. Hoover even mentioned Dr. King's conduct during the meeting. Mr. Hoover characteristically said nothing. This should have laid to rest the situation once more.

Out in Chicago, Reverend Jesse Jackson, a national SCLC official touted by many as the successor to Reverend Ralph Abernathy as President of the SCLC, felt moved to comment. Ignoring the denials by his associates, including Reverend Abernathy, Reverend Jackson launched a bitter personal attack on Mr. Hoover, accusing him of trying to "whitemail" Dr. King. Then, the SCLC held its National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, and in a resolution attacked Mr. Hoover and the FBI for "their attacks on Dr. King." To add further confusion to just what Mr. Hoover was being accused of doing, the resolution noted that Dr. King's three associates who also attended the meeting with Mr. Hoover had said the published reports were "absolutely not true."

This confusing action by the SCLC must make the public wonder. Surely they are trying to get all the mileage they can from the situation but it seems this time they have gone too far, and Mr. Hoover comes out looking better than ever for an awkard, contradictory, hypocritical attack by a bunch of preachers who should know better, if not as businessmen, then surely as preachers.

This is the kind of thing the civil rights movement can well do without. The shrieks of the extremists in the racial situation should be counterbalanced by responsibility and fairness. This type of attack is clearly counterproductive and, if the SCLC is to survive, must be halted and halted fast.

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[redacted] EXPLAINED THAT OPERATION BREADBASKET, HAD INJECTED THEMSELVES INTO LABOR RELATIONS DASH PERSONNEL MATTERS INVOLVING DELTA AND NEGROES SOME WEEKS AGO WITH A LETTER INDICATING THAT DELTA'S TOTAL POLICY TOWARD NEGROES IS SUSPECT, AND REQUESTING THAT A NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE WITH THE POWER OF DECISION MEET WITH A COMMITTEE FROM OB. MR. YORK, ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT OF EMPLOYEE SERVICES, DELTA AIRLINES, MET ON AUGUST TWELVE WITH REVEREND JOE E. BOONE, ATLANTA MINISTER; REVEREND EDWARD H. DORSEY, PRESIDENT OF OPERATION BREADBASKET, ATLANTA; FNU SERCEY (PHOENTIC), PHILADELPHIA; CLEVELAND ROBINSON, MEMBER OF NEW YORK CITY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, AND A COUPLE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM AMOND DELTA'S NEGRO EMPLOYEES, ACCORDING TO [redacted] IN A SESSION MARKED WITH CONTINUED DEMANDS, ACCUSATIONS, QUESTIONS, INTERRUPTIONES, TABLE POUNDING AND THREATS ON THE PART OF THE OB COMMITTEE MEMBERS. THESE INDIVIDUALS SCREAMED AT TIMES, AND DISPLAYED AN ENTIRE LACK OF RESPECT TO THE POINT THAT IT WAS REALIZED THAT ANY FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO NEGOTIATE WITH THEM WOULD BE FUTILE, AND THE MEETING WAS DISCONTINUED. ONE JAMES DORSEY, SON OF EDWARD H. DORSEY AND A DELTA AIRLINE EMPLOYEE, WAS USED BY THE OB COMMITTEE ON OCCASION AS AN EXAMPLE OF DELTA'S DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AND POLICIES TOWARD NEGROES,

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ACCORDING TO [redacted] STATED, BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT THE SITUATION INVOLVES THE DELICATE MATTER OF EMPLOYEE AND NEGRO RELATIONS WITH DELTA, THAT DELTA MANAGEMENT DESIRES THE ABOVE INFORMATION BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL, AND HE SAID DELTA DOES NOT INTEND TO TAKE ANY ACTION, OTHER THAN NOTIFYING APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL AT ITS VARIOUS OFFICES, IN THE ABSENCE OF ACTION BY OB.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

CHICAGO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO RECEIVE THIS TELETYPE SINCE OPERATION BREADBASKET HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN THAT AREA.

ATLANTA WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS MATTER THROUGH LIAISON WITH [redacted] AND WILL KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN SAME.

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Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Re Atlanta teletypes to the Bureau, 8/11-14/70, captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and nine copies, and for Chicago and Jackson one copy each, of an LHM prepared at Atlanta on 8/26/70, captioned as above, and suitable for dissemination.

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RACIAL MATTER; INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

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[redacted] furnished a copy of the printed program of the Thirteenth Annual SCLC Convention. This program reflected the theme of the program to be, "We, the People.... for People's Government". The program also set forth a list of names under the caption "Officers and Directors". Included in this list of names as as officer was that of "L. D. Reddick, Historian". Listed as Directors also appeared the following names: Harry Belafonte, Stanley Levison and Harry Wachtel. b1

[redacted] convention convened on the morning of August 11, 1970, with registration at the West Hunter Street Baptist Church, 775 Hunter Street, N. W., Atlanta, of which church Ralph D. Abernathy, President, SCLC, is also pastor. b1

A noon-time meeting and luncheon of the SCLC Board of Directors was held on August 11, 1970, at Paschal's Motor Hotel, 830 Hunter Street, S. W.

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[redacted] C b1 the SCLC convention commenced on the morning of that date at the West Hunter Street Baptist Church where Ralph D. Abernathy delivered the "President's Address". Abernathy stressed problems faced by all poor people in the United States and criticized lack of concern of these people on the part of the current administration.

[redacted] C b1 that during his speech on August 12, 1970, Abernathy also stated, "The Pentagon must come to a grinding halt. We may be forced to liberate and occupy the Justice Department and the Congress. This Fascist domination must go, and the Fascist domination will go. You and I together must see to it that it goes."

On August 12, 1970, the Atlanta Journal, daily Atlanta newspaper on Page 11C of its Blue Streak edition published an article captioned, "Abernathy Calls for Defeat of 'Fascist Domination'," bylined Morris Shelton. This article referred to Abernathy's speech on August 12, 1970, and in part stated, "Deploring Nixon administration policies, Abernathy declared the GOP leader must be turned out of office, 'if there is any hope left for the democratic process and representative government and if we are to reverse this Fascist domination'."

[redacted] C b1 that shortly after Abernathy began speaking on the morning of that date, two Negro males noisily attempted to enter the front of the church, but were removed by ushers. These individuals subsequently entered the church and caused appreciable confusion by demanding use of Abernathy's microphone. The microphone was eventually furnished to one of these individuals who identified himself as Tim Hayes of the Georgia Black Liberation Front (BLF) (a black extremist group).

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Hayes stated his companion (not identified) was also with the BLF. Hayes criticized SCLC for not accomplishing things (not specified) it should accomplish, and demanded that SCLC give $1,000 to the BLF.

Abernathy, upon retaking the microphone, addressed Hayes as "my brother" and stated that SCLC had already assisted the BLF and furnished money and material assistance. Abernathy also said that while BLF has accomplished some good by feeding and assisting needy Negro children, it has been guilty of "teaching hatred". Order was then shortly restored to the convention meeting and Abernathy continued his speech.

[redacted] the afternoon session of the SCLC convention was held at the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Atlanta, in the nature of a workshop on "Southern Political Organizations". Hosea Williams spoke in regard to problems of the Negro. Williams declared the economic system in the United States is the cause of the problems of the Negro. He urged his audience to utilize the power presently available to them in order to achieve necessary changes in the American economic system. Williams also referred to Ralph D. Abernathy. He said that in order for Abernathy to be an effective President of SCLC, it was necessary for people to give him their support.

The August 13, 1970, morning edition of the Atlanta Constitution, daily Atlanta newspaper, Page 1A, published an article captioned, "Abernathy Outlines Anti-War Campaign", bylined Alex Coffin. This article reflected that Ralph D. Abernathy, during the afternoon meeting of August 12, 1970, held a news conference in conjunction with the SCLC convention. The article pointed out that Abernathy stressed his grave concern over the slow progress being made by the administration in providing benefits for Negroes and poor people. Because of this slow progress Abernathy said, SCLC will "tie up the Washington scene" through mass arrests which will follow sit-ins and occupation of Government buildings. He declared this activity would be more militant than previous marches and demonstrations. He emphasized that "non-violent civil disorder" must occur in effort to "call a halt to business as usual". Abernathy did not specify a date for the occurrence of the activity to which he referred.

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The August 13, 1970, Blue Streak edition of the Atlanta Journal on Page 23A, published an article entitled, "McGovern Lashes Back at Defamation of King", bylined Morris Shelton. This article reflected approximately 1,000 persons attended the SCLC Convention Banquet the night of August 12, 1970, at the Marriott Motor Hotel, Atlanta, at which the main speaker was Senator George McGovern of South Dakota.

This article stated that McGovern praised SCLC "brilliant contribution" to and increasing the standard of life of the American Negro. McGovern also "lashed out at what he charged was a recent venal effort to defame the memory of the late Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr.", (former President of SCLC). The article went on to point out that comedian Dick Gregory was scheduled to address the banquet but did not appear. Cassius Clay, former heavyweight boxing champion, spoke briefly at the banquet. Clay, the article said, in commenting upon social progress made by Negroes, stated, "To me, we ain't making no damn progress."

The aforementioned article also revealed that during the banquet the Martin Luther King, Jr. "award for Leadership in Non-violent Social Movement" was presented to Archbishop Helder Camera Pessoa of Brazil.

[redacted] the SCLC Convention Banquet on August 12, 1970, appeared to suffer from appreciable disorganization. These individuals in attendance were either not served their meal or served only a part of the scheduled meal. As a consequence, many individuals expressed displeasure and raised the question as to whether SCLC was only concerned with the $10.00 per plate cost of the dinner.

[redacted] that the chief activity of the SCLC convention on August 13, 1970, consisted of the morning session at the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church at which achievements were delivered by various SCLC officials and members of the SCLC Board of Directors in regard to recent accomplishments or the organization. During the afternoon of August 13, 1970, a workshop was held at this church concerning "organizing the northern ghetto."

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On August 14, 1970, the Atlanta Journal on Page 11A of its Blue Streak edition published an article captioned "Abernathy Accuses Nation; Liar...Murderer...Prostitute", bylined Morris Shelton. According to this article, Ralph D. Abernathy on the night of August 13, 1970, extemporaneously addressed the SCLC convention. On this occasion Abernathy referred to the United States as a nation claiming to stand for justice and equality for all and declared, "She is guilty of practicing one thing while preaching another." The article described Abernathy as "performing" at this time as a "self-proclaimed court room prosecutor of the American system." Abernathy denotes America as a "Liar...fraud...robber...invader... whoremonger and a prostitute".

On the same evening, according to the article, Leonard Woodcock, President, United Auto Workers (UAW) also addressed the convention. Woodcock pledged the support of the UAW to SCLC cause and "called for a coalition of the white laboring class and the black to 'bring the world back to sanity'."

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[redacted] that the climaxing event of the SCLC convention was the "convention sermon" delivered during the morning of that date at the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church by Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr., member SCLC Board of Directors and father of Martin Luther King, Jr.

HARRY BELAFONTE

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The Summer, 1968, issue of "Freedomways" lists J. H. O'Dell (Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing Editor.

LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK

LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK is Professor of Social Sciences at Coppin State College, Baltimore, Maryland. He currently resides at 3704 Winterbourne Road, Baltimore, Maryland.

On September 17, 1943, a confidential source advised she had learned that Dr. REDDICK, who was then Director of the Schomburg Library, 103 W. 135th Street, New York City, was one of the most important unpublicized members of the Communist Party (CP). She stated that REDDICK seemed to be a source of information in regard to socialism and communism in the United States and the Soviet Union.

A confidential source on March 23, 1951, said that he met LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK in 1943, through EUGENE GORDON, a staff member of the "Daily Worker" and that both GORDON and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS advised him that LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK was at that time a member of the CP. The source also said that REDDICK was an instructor at the George Washington Carver School.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast communist newspaper, which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

The Georgia Washington Carver School has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On February 5, and 11, 1954, LAWRENCE DUNBAR REDDICK was interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Atlanta, Georgia. He, at that time, stated that he was not, and had never been, a member of, or a sympathizer with, the Communist Party.

On January 21, 1964, a confidential source advised that on January 18, 1964, Dr. LAWRENCE REDDICK visited with BENJAMIN J. DAVIS at the home of JACOB GREEN, State Chairman of the CP in Maryland. During conversation between REDDICK and DAVIS, it was mentioned that they had attended school together in Georgia and REDDICK commented that if he had stayed with DAVIS, he would have also joined the CP.

BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

A confidential source advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS was National Secretary of the CP, USA.

"The New York Times," August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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HARRY WACHTEL

HARRY WACHTEL is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, New York. He resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, King Point, Long Island, New York.

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A characterization of the National Lawyers Guild is attached hereto.

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THE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD SECRET

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning "The National Lawyers Guild:"

1. Cited as a Communist front.

   (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311, on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149).

2. Cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defens of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents." (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)

3. "To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the *** National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection."

   (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91).

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Character RACIAL MATTER; INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

Reference Memorandum prepared at Atlanta, dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238) (P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
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Re Bureau airtel to Atlanta, et al, dated 7/23/70.

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FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-192) (C)

SUBJECT: SPEECH BY SCLC PRESIDENT
RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY,
MUNICIPAL THEATER,
MOBILE, ALABAMA,
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 11 copies and for Atlanta 4 copies of LHM setting forth information concerning the speech made by ABERNATHY at Mobile.

This memo is being disseminated locally to intelligence agencies.

The informants used in this LHM are as follows:

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SPEECH BY SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE PRESIDENT RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, MUNICIPAL THEATER, MOBILE, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 6, 1970

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The September 7, 1970, issue of the Mobile Register, a daily morning newspaper published at Mobile, Alabama, reported that Reverend Ralph David Abernathy spoke the previous night at the Mobile Municipal Theater to about 800 persons at a freedom rally sponsored by NOW. According to this article, Abernathy said that black people united in a new non-violence aimed toward a goal of total integration is the remedy for the ills that are plaguing a sick America today. He said that he was here "to serve notice on white racist America that it will never again be like it has been, brother. You may as well get with it."

Abernathy referred to a recent murder indictment against Noble Beasley, President of NOW, who was charged with murder in connection with the death of a former NOW lieutenant. Abernathy noted that in Mobile there is not a single black elected official even though blacks make up 40 percent of the city's population. He criticized members of his own race saying that he is tired of those black people who learn a few big words and go down to the Chamber of Commerce and have tea and cookies with the white people. He emphasized that he is not a separatist but believes in total integration. He said that he does not want a system that will close local Negro high schools and allow white high schools to continue to exist. He wants a system that

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will allow black people to control their own destiny, schools and lives. Abernathy said that he knows the history of Mobile and its black leaders and said, "The going is going to get rougher before it gets better." He referred to the fact that he has been in jail 30 times and doesn't care if the 31st time is in Mobile. He closed by saying, "A new day is on the horizon" and "We are here to stand with you, President Beasley."

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[redacted] that in his speech in Mobile, Reverend Abernathy spoke of Alabama being behind the times and, along with the rest of the nation, was dying from the cancerous disease of racism. He said he wants integration where black people would control their own destiny and was very complimentary of the local leadership of NOW as found in Noble Beasley. He emphasized that blacks must stand together as they can't afford the luxury of division.

These sources advised that they did not consider Abernathy's speech to be inflammatory and did not expect any violent activity to result therefrom.

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[redacted] advised on September 7, 1970, that Reverend Abernathy arrived at Mobile Municipal Airport at 5:35 PM on September 6, 1970, on Southern Airways Flight 71 from Atlanta and was accompanied by a Negro male, J. T. Johnson, of Atlanta, Georgia. He was met by Noble Beasley and other officials of NOW, among whom were James Finley, Ocie Wheat and William A. Evans. The Abernathy party was furnished a police escort from the airport to the Ramada Inn where he checked in to Suite B at 5:50 PM. At 7:30 PM, Reverend Abernathy and party were escorted to the Stone Street Baptist Church on Cleveland Street where Abernathy took part in a communion service. At 8:00 PM, the party was escorted to the Mobile Municipal Theater where Abernathy spoke to a crowd estimated at 900. The Abernathy party left the Municipal Theater about 11:00 PM returning to the Ramada Inn. Abernathy was to leave Mobile by Eastern Flight 392 at 12:15 PM, September 7, 1970.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA

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The records of the New York Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Atlanta, Georgia

September 22, 1970

Title	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE RACIAL MATTER; INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST
Character	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

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1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan

TO : Mr. C. D. Brennan

DATE: 10/8/70

1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - Mr. C. E. Glass

FROM : G. C. Moore

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
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RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
100-438794

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FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-363)

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On 10/6/70 [redacted] furnished the following information to SA [redacted]

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Radio Station KNOK is directed entirely to the Negro communities of both Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas. For over four years, as a public service, KNOK has been broadcasting "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Speaks" for thirty minutes each Sunday beginning at 7:30 PM, which program consists of excerpts from sermons of the late Dr. KING. After the tapes are used in the broadcasts, they are mailed by KNOK to Frequency Productions, Inc., 1105 Maple, West Des Moines, Iowa 50265. KNOK receives a monthly printed letter from "Martin Luther King Speaks", "SCLC", 260 Audubon Avenue, Suite 32G, New York, New York, produced by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, RALPH DAVID ABERNATHY, President. This monthly printed letter, "To All Stations", is a monthly program schedule and a summation of the text for each scheduled broadcast.

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According to [redacted] they are becoming more and more concerned as time passes and more tapes are broadcast as the taped programs are more extreme and appear to them to be "sowing the seeds of revolution". They explained that in their opinion the programs more and more stress anti-government, anti-Vietnam war, calling on the listeners to infiltrate the armed forces and cause disruptions, advising how

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to disrupt the orderly draft procedures, and that the white people are exterminating the blacks. They advised that not only is the material becoming more inflammatory, but the mannerism, delivery and tone of voice of the speakers, appears highly inflammatory and more adamant, intended to influence the listeners, and inflame the blacks against the whites to a possible point of inciting the blacks to react. They advised, however, that the station had not received any criticism of the program from the listening audience.

[redacted] advised that they have met with Rev. PETER JOHNSON and GEORGE HOLLAND of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), 2606 Forest Avenue, Room 209, Dallas, at their KNOK Dallas studio located at 1914 Forest Avenue, the last meeting being on 10/5/70, and the next meeting being scheduled for 10/6/70. The concern of SCLC is that since KNOK directs its broadcasting exclusively toward the Negro communities of both Dallas and Fort Worth, KNOK should have more Negro employees as well as having more Negroes in the station management. They advised that KNOK has 25 employees, 16 of which are Negroes, two Negroes being in management positions.

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[redacted] advised that they realize that the station operates under regulations of the Federal Communication Commission and that they can certainly cease to broadcast these programs, however, they feel that if the programs are discontinued, the station would be risking a boycott by its listeners as well as by its sponsors.

[redacted] made available a SCLC Bulletin Number 70-14, dated 9/24/70, reflecting program schedules for October, and a summary of the programs. He also made available a letter, referred to in the Bulletin, "Media Workshop, Eight East Forty-Eighth Street, New York, New York, FLO KENNEDY, Director", which relates to the Black G. I. Movement.

The above information, as well as one copy each of the above noted bulletin and "Media" letter, are being furnished for the information of the Bureau and New York.

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BULLETIN 70#14

To: ALL STATIONS 24 September 1970

PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE THROUGH OCTOBER 25, 1970

Program Numbers	Broadcast Dates	
7040	10-04	"Non-Conformist" — Following a portion of this sermon by Martin Luther King, Jr., The Reverend Ralph David Abernathy speaks on non-conformity and introduces The Reverend Daniel J. Berrigan. Program includes sermon delivered by Father Berrigan in Philadelphia shortly before his arrest and imprisonment.
7041	10-11	"What Time Is It?" — A speech by Mr. Jack O'Dell, SCLC's Executive Director and the Associate Editor of Freedomways Magazine to an SCLC Breadbasket Meeting in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. O'Dell takes a sober look at where the freedom movement is today.
7042	10-18	"The Physiology Of The Government" — A speech by Michael Cetewayo Tabor, artist, author and Defense Captain of the Harlem Branch of the Black Panther Party, to the Plenary Session of The Revolutionary People's Constitutional Convention at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
7043	10-25	"The G. I. Movement" — A discussion between SCLC's President, The Reverend Ralph David Abernathy; SCLC's Executive Director, Mr. Jack O'Dell; and Dr. Howard Levy, a former member of the Army Medical Corps who, in 1968, refused to train medics for Vietnam and was subsequently imprisoned. Their discussion is about the GI resistance movement and, in particular, the Black serviceman.

NOTE: Program #7043 inaugurates a series of programs we plan to present about Black servicemen. The enclosed letter was sent to us in response to our inquiries and research on this subject. Please contact us if you would like additional information about Black servicemen and the G. I. Movement.

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LO KENNEDY, DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FROM FLO KENNEDY TO RELEVANT BLACK PEOPLE

Black power is activated by Black anger. Black G.I.'s and veterans are very angry. Why has the "movement" ignored and neglected them?

There's no point in running down the worn-out statistics about the unfair proportion of Black G.I.'s and their unfair proportion in the stockades and brigs; anybody that doesn't know, or hasn't figured that one is too innocent to dig this altogether.

But Black G.I.'s know the scene and because they do, they're getting their shit together. While they're risking their lives to organize to resist the white brainwash of their so-called superior officers (white and oreo), they know that upon discharge they'll be candidates for the Army of the unemployed.

Five years ago, the G.I. movement was almost unheard of; today, estimates are that 50% to 90% of G.I.'s are against the racist war in Southeas Asia. Three years ago there were three G.I. anti-war newspapers; today, ther are seventy. In 1964 there was one anti-war G.I. Coffee-House; today there are twenty.

Although the anti-war G.I. movement's support and financing has come almost entirely from white movement groups, Black G.I.'s have played a prominent part in an overwhelming majority of rebellions, stockade rip-offs and personal "I won't-goes." Dig it: of the Fort Hood Three, Jimmy Johnson was Black, Dennis Mora was Puerto Rican; Ron Lockman, who went to jail for refusing to go to Viet Nam was Black; every one of the Fort Hood forty-three, who refused to "pacify" the Black Community in Chicago were Black; most of the organizers of the Fort Jackson and Fort Bragg G.I.'s Unit were Black. Key organizer Joe Miles was punitively transferred to Alaska. Major rebellions at stockades and brigs, including Long Binh (Viet Nam), Da Nang (Viet Nam), Mannheim (Germany) and many others were led by Black politi cal prisoners."

The Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force have something to do with power, and anybody who raps Black Power and ignores the angry Black G.I., is out to lunch.

How can the Black G.I. have any hope in the relevance of the Black movement which has so long neglected not only his plight but also his power?

Truly yours,
Flo Kennedy.

Flo Kennedy

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To: SACs Atlanta (Enclosures - 3)
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From: Director, FBI 100-438794-2998

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Re Dallas airtel 10/7/70 (no copy to Atlanta).

Enclosed for Atlanta is one copy of reairtel and one copy each of the two enclosures to reairtel.

The information in reairtel and its enclosures should be submitted by Dallas in a form suitable for dissemination.

Since Atlanta is office of origin in captioned case, copies should be furnished that office.

Atlanta target sources to develop information regarding the reported turn of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) toward a more extreme position. This development must be thoroughly investigated with results being furnished the Bureau in a form suitable for dissemination.

New York determine details of the printed material being distributed regarding the monthly SCLC radio program

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schedule. Determine who is in charge of the material and where the decision originates regarding the material on the program. Determine connection between SCLC and the Media Workshop and Flo Kennedy. Submit information developed in form suitable for dissemination.

NOTE: Dallas received information from a Dallas radio station that the radio material distributed by the SCLC is becoming more extreme and appears to sow the "seeds of revolution." A 9/24/70 bulletin from the SCLC listed programs for October, 1970, which included talks by Reverend Daniel J. Berrigan, recently arrested for destruction of Government records in connection with antiwar activities; Jack O'Dell, CP member now employed by SCLC; Michael Tabor, BPP Defense Captain in Harlem, currently on trial for conspiring to commit murder and arson in New York City, and Dr. Howard Levy, an antiwar cause celebre who refused to train medics for Vietnam and was subsequently jailed. The SCLC material indicated that SCLC was working with the Media Workshop in New York City on the subject of black GIs. The Director of the Media Workshop is identified as Flo Kennedy, probably identical with Florence Rae Kennedy, a Security Index subject in New York.

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Via Airtel Airmail
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To: DIRECTOR, FBI

From: SAC, JACKSON (157-NEW) (P)

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE BOYCOTT OF
A. G. CORPORATION,
GRENADA, MISS., DURING
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eleven copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination, dated and captioned as above.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished the USA, Southern District of Miss., Jackson, Miss.; USA, Northern District of Miss., Oxford, Miss.; and OSI, Jackson, Miss. Two copies are being furnished MIGp, Jackson, Miss.

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1) Will follow court case styled A. G. Corporation, Grenada, Miss., vs SCLC and others, which case was sent back to the Grenada County Chancery Court by the Miss. Supreme Court on 10/13/70, with an order that the lower court make a new

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determination of the damages since the original verdict of $114,572 was considered by the Miss. Supreme Court as "greatly excessive".

2) Will contact local officials and sources for any additional pertinent information regarding this matter.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Jackson, Mississippi 39205
October 14, 1970

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CONFERENCE BOYCOTT OF
A. G. CORPORATION,
GRENADA, MISSISSIPPI, DURING
THE FALL, 1966

Reference letterhead memorandum submitted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation Office, Jackson, Mississippi, dated September 30, 1966, captioned "Marches and Demonstrations, Grenada, Mississippi, Racial Matters".

Referenced letterhead memorandum sets forth information concerning extended marches and demonstrations at Grenada, Mississippi, which took place in the fall of 1966, under the leadership of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC), and its representatives. The marches and demonstrations continued over a period of several months and involved numerous demands and grievances by Negro citizens against white citizens at Grenada, Mississippi, as well as the city itself.

SCLC is a militant civil rights group with headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, founded by the late Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr.

Referenced memorandum indicates that A. G. Corporation, which is engaged in a retail grocery business, Grenada, Mississippi, filed a complaint against the SCLC, Grenada Community Freedom Movement, Bell Flower Baptist Church, Hosea Williams, Leon Hall, R. B. Cottonreader, and Alfonso Harris, all members of the SCLC, as well as numerous other individuals. This complaint was filed on September 28, 1966, in Chancery Court, Grenada County, Mississippi, requesting an injunction

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to be filed against the boycott and to secure compensation for the A. G. Corporation, a small locally owned family grocery store, because of the wrong by the defendants for conspiracy, boycott, interference and restraint of trade.

As a result of the above complaint in Chancery Court, Grenada County, Mississippi, on September 28, 1966, a favorable decision was rendered to the A. G. Corporation and case was appealed to the Mississippi Supreme Court, Jackson, Mississippi.

The Jackson, Mississippi, newspaper, The Clarion Ledger, issue of October 13, 1970, reveals an article captioned "Court Rules SCLC Liable For Damages" by Associated Press writer James Sagus. The article reveals in part the following:

> "Upholding a verdict from Grenada County Chancery Court, the Supreme Court said in an opinion by Chancellor Stokes Robertson that the chancery judge's findings on liability 'are supported by substantial evidence and he was correct in . . . concluding that the 41 defendants named . . . are jointly and severally liable'.
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> "However, the court said the $114,572 figure set by the lower court was 'greatly excessive' and the method used to compute the damage was 'too conjectural and speculative'.
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> "The lower court used only one witness, who determined the average annual profit and life expectancy of the business owned by the Gilbert Allen family.

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"The Supreme Court sent the case back to Chancery Court for a new determination of damages.

"The suit was filed by the Allen intersts in 1966, shortly before the grocery went out of business. It charged the defendants with damaging their business through a secondary boycott and illegal conspiracy.

"In his opinion, Robertson said the Negro leaders had never complained to the Allens about anything and the store was 'an innocent bystander who ultimately became the innocent victim of this struggle for political and economic power'.

"The boycott occurred about the time of the James Meredith march from Memphis to Jackson, when Meredith was wounded from ambush south of Memphis. It was called by black leaders to enforce demands on Grenada leaders.

"The court said pictures were taken of Negro customers using the store and these were posted, with names, at the mass meetings held nightly 'so that pressure could be brought to bear on those guilty of shopping with (the Allens)."

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 10/19/70

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16233)(RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL - SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtel and LHM to the Bureau dated 10/1/70.

A review of the Chicago file concerning captioned file disclosed the only activity on behalf of SCLC occurring on a frequent or continuing basis in the Chicago Division is in Operation Breadbasket, the economic arm of that organization. Chicago has a separate file on that organization and its activities are being followed and reported out of that file, where pertinent.

In view of the above this matter is being RUC'd by Chicago.

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9-25-70

Dear Senator Ervin:

If this is true about Southern Christian Leadership Conference, then it seems these men are traitors to our nation.

I pass it on to you, in case you had not seen it.

What is happening to our nation when men & women can stand up against our government! I'd like to know.

Best wishes

Sincerely

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

DATE: 10/26/70

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC
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ReDLairtel to the Bureau, 10/7/70, and Bureau airtel to Atlanta, Dallas, and New York, 10/14/70.

SCLC Bulletin 70#14 dated, 9/24/70, and furnished by Dallas with its airtel, is captioned "Martin Luther King Speaks", 260 Audobon Avenue, Suite 32G, NY, NY, telephone # 568-6782.

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